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**Spike in bike  
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Stolen-bike reports up 38 per cent this year, with most thefts happening during the summer

Hundreds more bicycles have been stolen this year than police have seen in the past five years, on average, leading crime prevention officers to urge Calgarians to take more aggressive steps in securing their two-wheeled transport.

"If people would take a little bit more time on the prevention end of things, that might help us stem some of these bike thefts," Sgt. Brett Hodel said Thursday, after police released new stats on the number of stolen-bike reports so far in

2013.

A total of 827 incidents were reported between Jan. 1 and July 31, up from an average of 597 during the same period in 2008 to 2012.

The data is in line with anecdotal reports on social media, where Calgarians have been complaining for weeks about an apparent spike in the number of stolen bicycles.

Nearly three-quarters of the bike thefts reported this year came in May, June, and July, according to police.

Steven Coutts said he was shocked at the brazen and organized way in which thieves made off with his bike and his wife's bike last Friday.

He said security footage showed two men following cars into the secure parkade of their condo in broad daylight and going directly for the high-end mountain bikes on the

third parking level.

Coutts estimated the retail value of the two bikes at \$7,500.

"Obviously it's lucrative," he said of the crime. "It's reasonably easy, and there's relatively no punishment, unless they catch these guys red-handed."

Hodel, however, said police will specifically target organized bike thieves, but added the vast majority of thefts are "crimes of opportunity."

He said the best protection is to always secure your bike with a high-end lock and remove a wheel or the saddle as an extra deterrent.

Calgary police don't have immediate plans to implement a "bait bike" program like some jurisdictions in British Columbia, Hodel said, but it's something they will consider if the high number of thefts persists.

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**FLOOD COMPENSATION**

Members of the RCMP return from a boat patrol of a then-still-flooded neighbourhood in High River on July 4. The province announced compensation packages for hundreds of homes in Southern Alberta floodways Thursday. Story, page 4.

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## Teacher troubles

### Faculty morale 'poor' in wake of cuts: U of C rep

Post-secondary faculty members across Alberta are reeling from cuts to provincial funding, and those teaching at the University of Calgary are no different, a representative said Thursday.

"You've got to remember the scale of these cuts.... It's a decimation in funding at the drop of a hat," said faculty association president Paul Rogers. He said morale among faculty is "poor."

The U of C has already announced it will not replace 50 retiring faculty members in the coming years, and an institutional plan released over the summer warns of "significant cuts" to sessional teaching budgets in the wake of a 7.3 per cent funding reduction.

As a result of those cuts, the faculty of arts alone will offer students 40 to 50 fewer courses to choose from this fall. Metro also first reported Wednesday a plan to remove 19 programs from the course calendar.

Richard Sigurdson, faculty of arts dean, conceded it's disappointing that he may not be able to replace certain departing staff, but said he remains confident in the quality of education being provided to U of C students.

"I just came from a new faculty orientation. We have hired some just tremendous people here," he said Thursday.

"The University of Calgary is still a magnet for some of the best and brightest worldwide."

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In the video, a woman in Sage Meadows can be heard uttering racist comments at a Chinese national who's lived in Calgary for three decades. SCREENSHOT

# Racist dog-walker video going viral

## 'You don't belong here.' Calgarian could not believe his ears



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Outrage is growing online over a video in which a woman out walking her dogs in a northwest Calgary community clearly tells a neighbour, "Maybe you should go back to China where you belong."

Metro spoke with the target of the comments Thursday morning. Efforts were made to

confirm his identity; however, he only agreed to speak on condition of anonymity.

"I have been getting a lot of mixed reaction," he said of the video, shot July 13. "I am surprised there is still so much hate out there."

The video was shot near the man's home in the northwest Calgary community of Sage Meadows. He claimed he'd encountered the same woman, estimated to be in her mid-40s, walking with her dogs off-leash in the area a month prior.

The area is not a proper off-leash zone, and the man said he was shooting video to file a complaint to bylaw officers.

As he approaches, camera in hand, the man asks, "Excuse me, could you please leash up your dogs, please?"

The woman responds, "I live right close."

The man replies, "I live right close, too."

The woman then states, "Yeah, well, maybe you should go back to China where you belong."

As she continues to walk with her dogs, the woman makes continued derogatory remarks, including telling the man, "You don't belong here."

A complaint had not been filed with Calgary police, but spokesperson Emma Poole

## Watch online

To see the video, visit [metronews.ca](http://metronews.ca).

- The video was posted a month ago, but had only been seen a few hundred times until Wednesday, when it picked up steam on social media. By Thursday morning, it had been watched more than 5,000 times.

said there appeared to be no grounds for a hate-crime charge.



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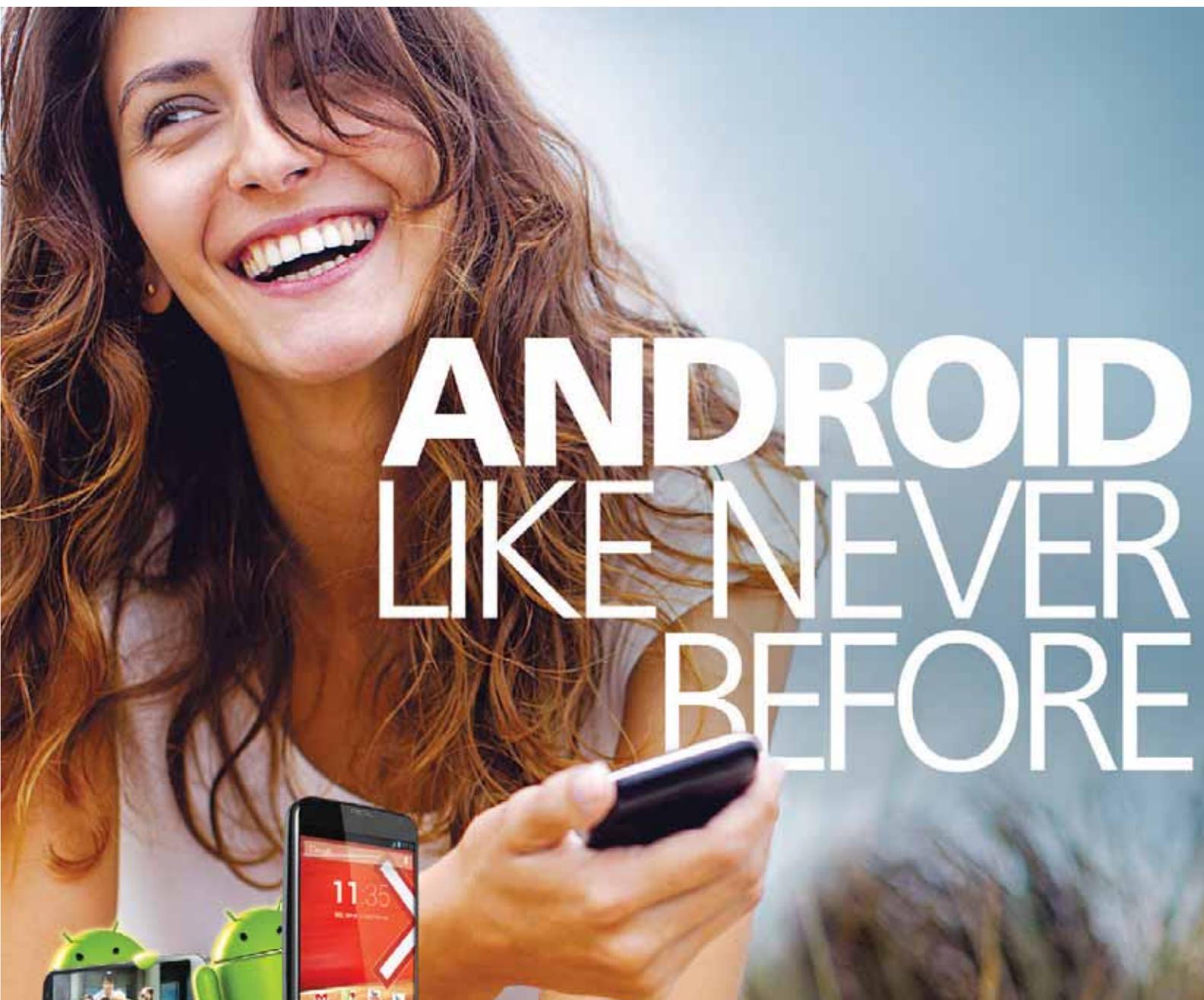
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# Province offers to pay those in floodways to get out

**Homeowners.** Buyout worth full assessed value of home

The Alberta government is offering homeowners living in floodways a chance to get out.

The owners of about 250 homes in six southern communities devastated by flooding in June are being given the option to sell out to the provincial government.

Even if the houses weren't damaged, owners are eligible for a buyout worth the tax-assessed value of their home.

The cost of the program could run as high as \$175 million.

"We know that floodway development is dangerous. Development in these areas puts lives at risk and is an ongoing risk to taxpayers as well," Municipal Affairs Minister Doug Griffiths said Thursday.

"I've equated it many times to building on the train tracks. This new policy will allow Albertans in the impacted floodways another option to rebuild their lives and will provide protection for all Albertans going forward."

## Where, how

- More than 100 of the affected homes are in High River, 57 are in Medicine Hat, 50 are in Calgary and another 36 are in Bragg Creek.
- Homes the government buys out are likely to be destroyed or sold and moved from the flood area, Griffiths said.

Griffiths said the government will pay 100 per cent of this year's property-tax assessed value.

"The way that this program is set up, it is my anticipation that there will be very, very few people who will not take the 100 per cent assessment — take their value and move to another location," he said.

Griffiths said he realizes High River's Hampton residents aren't going to be pleased with Thursday's announcement.

"This a policy to deal with the floodway. It's the fastest-moving water that's the most dangerous," he said.

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Doug Griffiths, Alberta minister of municipal affairs, in June announcing when High River residents could return. Thursday, Griffiths announced a flood-compensation package for homeowners in floodways. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

## Taradale fire destroys two homes, damages two more



These two homes were the most badly damaged in a two-alarm blaze early Thursday. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Four homes were damaged, two of them extensively, in a two-alarm blaze that started early Thursday morning in a northeast Calgary neighbourhood.

Firefighters found two houses already up in flames when they responded to the 50 block of Teraridge Drive N.E. shortly after 1 a.m.

Larry Radics, whose home was moderately damaged in the blaze, said the fire started two houses down from him

and spread quickly.

"It was goin,'" he said. "It was just a matter of a couple of minutes and it was right across and starting to lick at our place."

Twelve people evacuated the four homes before firefighters showed up, who then helped one other person escape to safety.

No injuries were reported, but Radics said his wife was taken to hospital after experiencing chest pains.

"We just took her in to check her out, because she was freaking out," he said.

"She's got a pacemaker. She thought we were going to lose (the house)."

Radics said it was mainly the exterior of his home that was damaged, including the siding, windows and soffits.

The two houses next to his fared much worse, with flames destroying much of the roof of one and almost the entire second floor of the

## Source

- Fire crews called a second alarm after arriving on scene and seeing the extent of the blaze.
- The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

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A grizzly bear makes his way along the waters edge in the Khutzemateen Valley in northern British Columbia. An Alberta woman, who survived a 12-day ordeal lost in the woods, says she encountered the same bear multiple times but it never attacked. The woman is now recovering with family and friends. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# 'I just kept telling myself: You're not going to die'

## Survivor speaks.

Victim reports close encounter with bear during 12-day ordeal lost in woods



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Her jaw was broken, her clothes were drenched and she was face-to-face with a bear.

It was the night of July 14, the first of 12 the woman, a resident of the O'Chiese First Nation in Central Alberta, would spend lost in the bush.

According to RCMP, the woman had been sexually assaulted hours prior by a man after the truck they were travelling in became stuck on the reserve's north end. It's alleged he punched her in the face, breaking her jaw, but she managed to escape.

Speaking publicly for the

first time since the incident on Thursday, the woman said she became immediately disoriented after she was hurt. Then the rain started coming down.

"I found a den," she said. "I went inside and then a bear came. She smelled me up.... I kept my eyes locked (on her), I didn't even want to blink."

She said the bear then walked away but she continued to hear it nearby. By morning, it was gone.

But the ordeal was far from over — family members believe the woman trekked up to 30 kilometres over the next 12 days, sticking close to the river and feeding off berries she foraged.

"I just kept telling myself: 'You're not going to die,'" she said.

The woman said her boyfriend is a fan of survival TV shows and she occasionally watches with him. Her father is also a hunter and had taught her some tricks of the

## Bear encounter

"She smelled me up.... I kept my eyes locked (on her), I didn't even want to blink."

Woman who encountered a bear multiple times while lost in the wilderness for 12 days

wilderness trade.

She made sure to keep her clothes dry but also hopped into the river from time to time to ride the current, a faster method of travelling than on foot.

She swears she saw the same bear again across the river at one point when she was frantically calling for help a few days later.

Finally, on July 26, the woman was found by an oilfield worker on a rural road, just four kilometres from a major highway. She was rushed to hospital and spent weeks recovering. Even now,

## Charges

- Disclaimer: Metro is withholding the woman's name and those of three other family members interviewed because she is the victim of an alleged sexual assault.

- Kevin Roy Gladue of Edmonton has been charged with sexual assault, aggravated assault and obstructing a peace officer in connection with the incident.

her jaw is not healing properly and may require further surgery.

Still, she's just happy to be alive.

"I'll never forget the bear," she said, before adding, "I have got a second chance at life and am so grateful for that."

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## Dogged pursuit. Police K9 helps nab Jaguar driver following high-speed chase

A suspected drug dealer is parked in an Alberta jail after leading police on a chase that involved a speedy Jaguar and a slower but determined police dog.

RCMP and Alberta Sheriff traffic units tried to stop the luxury car on Monday night near Whitecourt, but the driver drove off at speeds exceeding 230 km/h.

Police say the Jaguar ended up going off the road, and

a suspect fled on foot into a forest.

Officers tracked him down with the aid of the police dog, which helped police make the arrest.

Police say they seized a loaded handgun and quantities of meth, cocaine, heroin and oxycodone pills.

Brian Buxton of Sylvan Lake faces dangerous driving, drug trafficking and weapons charges. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Cross-border teamwork

## Alta. sends crews to fight wildfires in three U.S. states

Alberta is sending teams of experienced firefighters to the U.S. to help fight raging wildfires burning in three states.

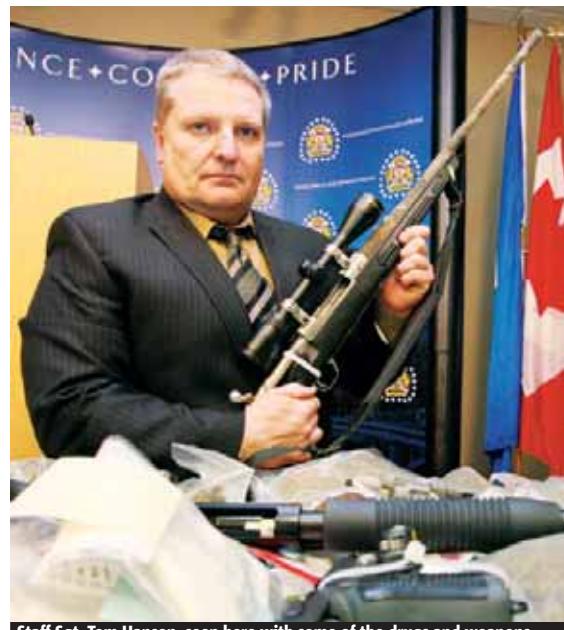
The province says it is sending a total of 59 firefighters to Montana, Oregon and

Idaho. They include crews that rappel out of helicopters and others who are trained to attack fires as soon as they break out.

The province has an agreement with these states to share firefighters during emergencies. The wildfire threat in Alberta now ranges from low to moderate.

The fires burning in these states have forced the evacuation of more than 1,250 homes. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

# Crystal meth 'carving a position' in Calgary



Staff Sgt. Tom Hanson, seen here with some of the drugs and weapons police seized in 2012, said meth seizures have been steady and police are concerned, but there's "nothing that's alarming us at this point." **METRO FILE**

**Narcotic.** Low cost, 'more sustained high,' availability make crystal meth attractive to users, health worker says

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down in Calgary or the immediate vicinity in my recollection," he said, adding that most of the drugs appear to be imported from other parts of the country or internationally.

"The primary producers of methamphetamine is Mexico," Hanson said.

Kate Hawksworth, team lead with the Alex Youth Health Centre Drop In, said meth use appears steady this year compared to last but well above 2011.

"Definitely over the last two years, it's carving a position in Calgary," she said.

"Before that we saw a lot of crack and party drugs."

### By the numbers

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The number of meth seizures police made from January to May. That compares to 101 in 2012, which is up roughly 80 per cent from 2011.

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# ARTS CUTS LIMIT SOCIETY'S 'UNIVERSAL THINKERS'



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arts had its back against the wall and something had to give.

Of course, other faculties, including the sciences, have had to make serious adjustments too, such as accepting 600 fewer students over the next two years. But the arts offers a plethora of majors, plus it doesn't attract big funders like engineering faculties, so the slightest nick to its pocketbooks can mean the end of rare programs like technical theatre.

Sometimes it does feel as though the arts are facing "death by a thousand cuts," as Alec Blair of Calgary organization SOFA (Save Our Fine Arts) put it.

The U of A memo about the suspensions explained that 10 or fewer students were enrolled in each program, which only validates the perceived irrelevance of such majors as Latin American studies or world music.

Some of the programs have few enrolments because they're elite, but for others, it's indeed a lack of interest.

## What's important?

**It's as if we collectively decided that a degree or major is unimportant unless it comes with a direct flight to a career.**

It's an endless feedback loop: Society pressures students to believe an arts education is useless, enrolment shrinks, programs get cut, and the presumption of their irrelevance is validated. On it goes.

It's as if we've collectively decided that a degree or major is unimportant unless it comes with a direct flight to a career.

Really, few degrees are obvious job-makers, but the arts especially. Instead, they make universal thinkers and instill the sort of skills that transfer to all of life's facets, work being just one.

That said, critical thinking, analysis, interpersonal communication and the prob-

lem-solving skills they provide have never been more important than in this globalized, idea-driven economy.

Camouflage was invented by a painter, Japanese origami inspired airbag improvements. And what is Facebook if not a sociology experiment?

These talents are essential to a flourishing economy and community, and, if well attained, will help students figure out how to apply them to the world around them.

But that's not to say arts students can't benefit from a science education, too.

In fact, a century ago the U of A's sciences and arts shared the same faculty, led by scholars committed to the theoretical and applied model of 19th-century German schools.

In a CBC radio interview, sciences dean Jonathan Schaeffer said that in light of the budget cuts the U of A could consider this option again.

Such a move might only save pennies, but what it could gain in terms of well-rounded citizens is immeasurable.

## Most systems go

**Tour of Alberta ready to race**

With less than two weeks to go, the Tour of Alberta says it's ready.

"We are comfortable where we are on the front page. On the back page we have to work a lot harder to get things done, but it's 24 hours a day for the next three weeks," said Brian Jolly, the event's chairman.

Jolly said the exposure for the province will be remarkable.

"This is probably one of the biggest events you have seen in Alberta," he said.

Jolly was on hand at Edmonton city hall Thursday as Mayor Stephen Mandel proclaimed it Tour of Alberta day. Mandel encouraged residents to get out on Sept. 3, when the event's time trials take place. He said it is going to be an incredible sight.

"They will be moving. The speed at which they will be going through our city will be remarkable," he said. **RYAN TUMILTY/METRO**

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Sam Cutforth was one week away from her high school grad when the flood waters hit.

Highwood High School, where she'd been studying, was turned into an emergency shelter as much of High River was destroyed June 20. The Cutforth family home suffered some basement and yard damage, but was left far better off than many.

Cutforth was supposed to work at the community pool before heading off on an exchange to Taiwan. Instead, her hometown was closed off to its own residents for days and, even now, many of her classmates remain displaced.

Finally, on Thursday, she and nearly every other member of Highwood's 120-student 2013 graduating class took time out from recovery work to celebrate their accomplishments, with Strathcona-Tweedsmuir School playing impromptu host.

"It's closure," Cutforth said of the graduation event. "I wanted to see my friends before we all go away.... We had all of these plans for this summer, but I didn't see most of them with all of this going on."

Thursday's ceremony was also attended by Alberta premier Alison Redford, who told the students their grad was

particularly special because it was being celebrated by people all across Canada.

"At the end of the day, if we think back to what happened in your community — in our community, in Alberta — eight weeks ago, at the end of the day you will always be able to remember where you came from," Redford said.

**JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO**



Highwood High School graduates, from left, Jackson Knowles, Lena Knox, Matt Kohut and Amy Kuchuk share a laugh before the start of their convocation ceremony, months after their community of High River was hammered by flooding. **JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO**

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## Inquiry. Foster parents didn't know baby had been sick before, finds judge

A report from an inquiry into an Alberta baby's death says the child's medical history should have been forwarded to her foster family.

But provincial court Judge Bart Rosborough says that still might not have prevented the one-year-old girl's death.

The judge notes that the foster parents weren't informed that the girl had been treated for respiratory problems, including pneumonia.

The baby, who is not identified, died of pneumonia in March 2009 while in the care of an agency that provides child-welfare services to the Samson Cree Nation south of Edmonton.

The child had been sick, but her foster family assumed it wasn't serious.

Her caregivers didn't seek medical attention until she was discovered not breathing in her crib.

Rosborough acknowledges in his report that a previous case of pneumonia doesn't make a person more likely to get pneumonia again. He also notes that the foster parents should have realized earlier that she was seriously ill and should have been better trained.

Still, he writes, failure to inform the foster family of the girl's medical information was the factor that put her most at risk.

He also says the province should investigate what he calls the "significant disparity" in the level of funding provided for children off and on reserves.

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### Airdrie

## One dead, five sent to hospital following crash

One person is dead and five others were sent to hospital after a two vehicle collision in Airdrie Thursday afternoon.

RCMP were called out to the crash around 3:10 p.m. Thursday after a van and a 3/4-ton truck collided on Veterans Blvd. and Edmonton Trail in Airdrie.

An elderly man, in the van with another adult male and two children under the age of 12, was pronounced dead at the scene.

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### July concert rescheduled

## KISS comes to Calgary Nov. 8

Rock legends KISS will be playing in Calgary after all.

The concert has been rescheduled for Nov. 8 following flooding that forced officials to postpone the original July 13 show at the Scotiabank Saddledome.

Tickets purchased for the July show will be valid for the same seats, though ticket holders who can't attend the November date will have the options of refunding their purchase until Sept. 5 through Ticketmaster.

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This is one of several portraits snapped by photographer Shaun Robinson in the days following the flood. Robinson will be showcasing at Pith Gallery this fall.

COURTESY SHAUN ROBINSON

# After the rain: A flood of creativity

**Art show.** Exhibit hosted by Pith Gallery features work inspired by June disaster

Artists will be translating tragedy into art for an upcoming exhibition meant to showcase varying perspectives of the June floods.

Pith Gallery curator Stacey Watson said they've selected four artists who were all connected with the flood in different ways, and allowed them to have free rein to share their experience

### Objects take on new meaning

"Now it's not your home, it's some kind of art piece."

Calgary artist Karly Mortimer

through their work.

"Artists are often better equipped than others to create out of destruction," said Watson.

"I didn't really know when I asked the artists what they would come back with ... we let them dictate the projects that they're going to present."

The show will feature Shaun Robinson, who has a

series of portraits of volunteers during the cleanup; Jen Somerville, whose Bowness home and studio were destroyed; and Karly Mortimer and Jeremy Pavka, who have a collaborative art practice, and had their Mission basement apartment fill with seven feet of water.

At the time of the floods, Mortimer was in Banff and became stranded for days be-

fore she could return to Calgary. After returning home, she and Pavka laid their belongings out and photographed them.

"We joked around that we collaborated with the river and it turned everything in our home into art," said Mortimer.

"It really helped to have experience as artists dealing with the transformation of objects; letting go of control and renegotiating a new relationship with our things."

The exhibition will be held from Oct. 18 to Nov. 22 at Pith Gallery.

KATIE TURNER/METRO

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## Welcome back, Nayembi

In this Tuesday, Aug. 21, photo provided by the Lincoln Park Zoo in Chicago, Nayembi, a baby gorilla, sits with her mother Rollie at the zoo's Regenstein Center for African Apes. On Thursday, visitors got their first opportunity to see Nayembi since February. For the past few months, Nayembi has been housed and cared for behind-the-scenes following a serious injury that required special attention. TODD ROSENBERG/LINCOLN PARK ZOO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Rob Ford 'can't wait' to arm-wrestle the Hulkster

### A little over the top?

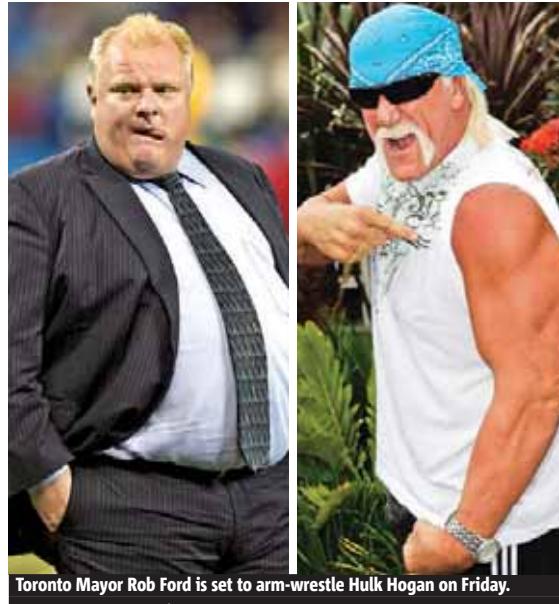
Controversy-plagued Toronto mayor to take on his 'hero' Hulk Hogan in friendly match at city's Fan Expo

Toronto's mayor often takes on the media, but on Friday morning he'll face an even more intimidating opponent — his "hero," Hulk Hogan.

Rob Ford says he "can't wait" to arm-wrestle Hogan in a friendly event.

The legendary shirt-ripping wrestler will be in Toronto for Fan Expo, where he is set to hold an "uncensored" question-and-answer session on Friday evening.

But first, the 14-time wrestling champion will arm-wrestle Toronto's mayor, Ford's spokesman announced on Twitter.



Toronto Mayor Rob Ford is set to arm-wrestle Hulk Hogan on Friday.

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"The Hulkster ... he's a good guy," Ford said Thursday. "(Hogan) has been my hero for a long time."

### Quoted

"(If) he starts swinging, I'm going, man. I'm right out the door."

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford, on arm-wrestling his "hero" Hulk Hogan

"When I was a little guy — the wrestling and stuff — it was good."

Ford was asked about the event while at the Ontario legislature for the swearing-in ceremony of Doug Holyday, the former deputy mayor of Toronto who was recently elected as a provincial Progressive Conservative. Specifically, Ford was asked if he had seen a scene in the movie Rocky III, in which Hogan fights Rocky.

"(If) he starts swinging, I'm going, man. I'm right out the door," Ford said, laughing. "I'm not going to sit there and take him on."

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Father of autistic boy offers \$100 to ID letter-writer

The father of a boy with autism is offering \$100 to anyone who can positively identify the author of a letter that sparked outrage in Canada and abroad this week. The letter was sent last Friday to the boy's grandmother in Newcastle, Ont., telling her to move or have the teenager euthanized. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Sick at the CNE

Nearly 100 now reporting illnesses

The number of people reporting symptoms of foodborne illness after attending the CNE in Toronto has reached almost 100, public officials said Thursday.

A spokeswoman for Toronto Public Health said its investigation is focused on Epic Burger and Waffles, known for its Cronut Burger. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Privacy in Canada

Did agency spy on ordinary citizens?

Critics are urging the Conservative government to lift the veil from Canada's electronic-eavesdropping agency after a report suggested ordinary Canadians may have been spied on.

Commissioner Robert Decary says some of the spying at Communications Security Establishment Canada may have affected Canadians in the past year. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

British Columbia

Motorcyclist's collision with bear caught on camera

A motorcyclist on a B.C. highway appeared to be too busy aiming his helmet camera to notice a bear run across the road right into his path. Footage of the accident captured on the helmet cam has been posted online by the RCMP in an effort to warn distracted drivers. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Fits in a shoebox. Cheaper, simpler method for in vitro fertilization tested

Since the first test-tube baby was born more than three decades ago, in vitro fertilization has evolved into a highly sophisticated lab procedure. Now, scientists are going back to basics and testing a simpler and cheaper method.

In the West, many would-be parents spend thousands of dollars for IVF. But European and American scientists say a simplified version of the entire procedure aimed at developing countries could be done for about \$265 US with generic fertility drugs and basic lab equipment that fits inside a shoebox.

"IVF is made to sound complicated, but the fact is that the early embryo is not very demanding," said Jonathan Van Blerkom, a fertility expert at the University of Colorado.

A human embryo doesn't need much beyond some basic solutions, a steady pH level and constant temperature, he said.

The simpler approach calls for women to take cheaper fertility tablets to stimulate their ovaries to release more than

one egg per month. In conventional IVF, expensive, potent drugs that are injected can produce more than 20 eggs.

Van Blerkom developed the simplified technique after European colleagues asked him how IVF could be done in developing countries.

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In this Aug. 14 photo, an embryologist works on an embryo at the Create Health fertility clinic in south London.

**SANG TAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## 'I am Chelsea Manning.' WikiLeaks source wants to live life as a woman

Bradley Manning plans to live as a woman named Chelsea and wants to begin hormone therapy as soon as possible, the U.S. soldier said Thursday, a day after being sentenced to 35 years in prison for the biggest leak of classified material in U.S. history.

Manning announced the decision in a written statement provided to NBC, asking supporters to refer to her by her new name and the feminine pronoun. The statement was signed "Chelsea E. Manning."

"As I transition into this next phase of my life, I want everyone to know the real me. I am Chelsea Manning. I am a female. Given the way that I feel, and have felt since childhood, I want to begin hormone therapy as soon as possible," the statement read.

Manning's defence attorney David Coombs told NBC he is hoping officials at the prison will accommodate Manning's request for hormone therapy.



In this undated photo, Bradley Manning, who has announced he wants to be called Chelsea and live as a woman, poses wearing a wig and lipstick. **U.S. ARMY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE**

The army said it doesn't provide hormone therapy or sex-reassignment surgery.

"All inmates are considered soldiers and are treated as such with access to mental-health professionals, including a psychiatrist, psychologist, social workers and behavioural science non-commissioned officers," army spokesman George Wright said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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### Honouring the memory of Jack Layton

Olivia Chow, right, looks on as Sarah Layton and her daughter Beatrice sit on a bronze statue of former NDP leader and Toronto city councillor Jack Layton, after its unveiling at Toronto's ferry terminal on Thursday. The revealing of the statue, which is a gift from the Ontario Labour Federation, coincided with the city renaming its ferry terminal after the popular politician. Chow said the statue and the renaming of the ferry terminal is a huge honour and would have meant a lot to her husband. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Justin Trudeau: Yes, he inhaled

**And he's not apologizing.** Liberal leader says marijuana prohibition policy costs law enforcement \$500M a year



Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau answers questions from the media in Quebec City on Thursday. FRANCIS VACHON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Justin Trudeau says, yes, he's inhaled a few times and, yes, he was already a member of Parliament the last time he did and, no, he has no regrets about it.

The Liberal leader laid out his past marijuana use in a lengthy interview and in an exchange with reporters Thursday in which he made no apologies.

He said he's smoked pot five or six times in his life — including three years ago during a backyard get-together — and never really liked it much.

Now that he's come clean about using pot, he said, he'd like to move on and talk about the hundreds of thousands of people who have a criminal record for it.

Trudeau sought to shift the focus onto his policy of legalizing marijuana when asked by reporters about his drug use and whether it had been a mistake.

"No, it wasn't a mistake," Trudeau told journalists in Quebec City.

"I do not consume cannabis. I am not a big consumer at all. I tried it.... I've never tried other types of hard drugs. I am not a consumer of marijuana but, yes, I've already tried it. I used it — maybe five or six times in my life."

He said he believes public opinion has moved on and he's confident that Canadians will judge him less harshly than his political opponents.

What matters now, Trudeau said, is ending a mari-

juana-prohibition policy that he says costs law enforcement \$500 million a year and has left 475,000 people with criminal records since the Conservatives took office in 2006.

He has said that issue touched his own family.

Trudeau originally made the marijuana admission in a candid interview with the Huffington Post, in which he also revealed that his youngest brother, Michel, was charged with marijuana possession shortly before his 1998 death in an avalanche.

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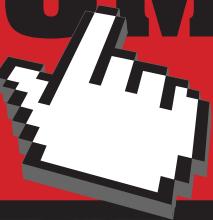


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# Let UN team investigate alleged chemical-weapon attack: Chief

**Syria.** United Nations head calls on government to allow investigation into reports assault killed at least 100 people

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Thursday called on the Syrian government to allow a UN team now in Damas-

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**"This represents, no matter what conclusions are (reached), a serious escalation with grave humanitarian consequences and human consequences."**

UN Deputy Secretary-General Jan Eliasson

cus to swiftly investigate an alleged chemical-weapon attack outside the capital that killed at least 100 people.

UN deputy spokesman Eduardo del Buey said Ban remains "deeply troubled" by the alleged attack on the eastern suburbs of Damascus on Wednesday and believes it needs to be investigated "without delay."

Syrian anti-government activists accused President Bashar Assad's regime of carrying out an attack using toxic gas and have reported death tolls ranging from 136 to 1,300. Even the lowest figure would make it the deadliest alleged chemical attack in Syria's two-and-a-half-year civil war.

The government has denied that it used chemical weapons, calling the allegations "absolutely baseless."

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This image provided by Shaam News Network on Thursday, which has been authenticated, purports to show a young victim of an attack on Ghouta, Syria, recuperating in a hospital. SHAAM NEWS NETWORK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**France**

**'Reaction of force' needed if chemicals used: Minister**

France's foreign minister on Thursday raised the possibility of the international community using force in Syria if it is proven that Bashar Assad's regime used chemical weapons.

Laurent Fabius, on RMC radio, said if there is proof of an attack, "we need a reaction by the international community ... a reaction of force." He excluded boots on the ground as an option.

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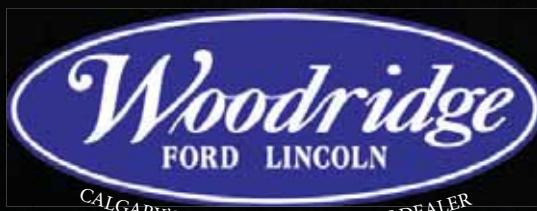
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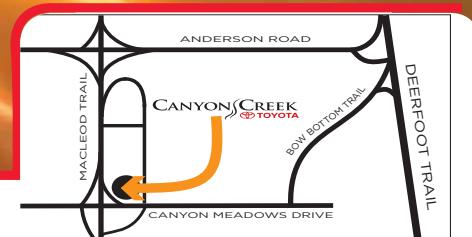


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## Nova Scotia

**Halifax mall pulls ads denounced as sexist**

A Halifax mall has yanked a series of controversial back-to-school shopping ads after a torrent of outrage from critics who said the campaign depicted young girls in a dim light.

"Mic Mac Mall is sincerely sorry for offending its customers," Rebecca Logan, the mall's marketing director, said Thursday. "We've heard what our customers have to say and we understand why you're angry. It was never intended to be offensive."

The ad campaign ran for a week on radio, television and billboards. It featured illustrations of young girls with lines like, "Mixing patterns — now that's a science!"

Another said: "Social studies? Does posting my new boots on Facebook count?" The mall will donate \$5,000 to an organization aimed at empowering girls.

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**Utah. Mormons hope increase in missionaries will bring more converts**

The number of Mormon missionaries surpassed 75,000 worldwide in August, driven by the church's decision to lower the minimum age for ambassadors of the Utah-based faith.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints reported the number of proselytizing missionaries has increased by 28 per cent from about 58,000 a year ago.

The church expects the number to swell to 85,000 by year's end.

Last October, the church

announced men could begin serving at 18, instead of 19, and women at 19, instead of 21.

Church scholars say the unprecedented number of missionaries gives Mormons an opportunity to bring in a higher number of converts.

The church reported having 14.4 million members worldwide as of January 2012.

Young Mormon men are expected, but not required to serve in missions. Women have faced less pressure to serve. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Mormon missionaries at their training centre in Utah. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE



Hannah Anderson and her father Brett Anderson are seen in San Diego, Calif. JESSE GRANT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/NBC

**Teen exchanged texts, letter with mom's killer**

**TV interview.** Hannah Anderson said she confided in James Lee DiMaggio, 40, about troubles with her mom

A California teen whose mother and brother were killed by a family friend said on national television Thursday that

she once confided in the man about troubles with her mother and explained text messages exchanged on the day of the attack.

Police say James Lee DiMaggio abducted Hannah Anderson and fled to the Idaho wilderness before he was killed by authorities.

In her first interview since her dramatic rescue Aug. 10, Hannah didn't say how her

family died or describe her interactions with DiMaggio during the manhunt. The girl said she wrote to DiMaggio a year ago and he guided her through a rough patch with her mother.

"Me and him would talk about how to deal with it, and I'd tell him how I felt about it, and he'd help me through it. They weren't anything bad," she said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Mubarak's release from jail threatens to stoke turmoil

**Egypt.** Decision to place former leader under house arrest instead of letting him go free designed to ease criticism

Egypt's ousted leader Hosni Mubarak was released from prison Thursday and transported to a military hospital in a Cairo suburb where he will be held under house arrest, according to state TV.

Thursday's move followed a court decision ordering the

release in relation to charges of receiving gifts from a state-owned newspaper.

Despite his release, the 85-year-old ousted leader still faces retrial on charges of complicity in the killing of protesters in the 2011 uprising against him, which could

put him back behind bars. He also is being investigated in two other corruption cases.

The release threatened to stoke the unrest as the Arab nation is already roiled in a crisis over a coup against Islamist leader Mohammed Morsi. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



An Egyptian youth in downtown Cairo steps on a comrade covered with a fake blood-stained shroud and wearing a Hosni Mubarak mask to protest the release of the former leader Thursday. MANU BRABO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Germany. Report blames bias for delay in probe of neo-Nazi murder spree



Beate Zschaepe is an alleged member of the neo-Nazi group National Socialist Underground.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

A far-right murder spree went undetected for years because German security services made scores of errors, partially because of institutional bias against immigrants, a parliamentary investigation concluded Thursday.

The report follows a 19-month review of how police and intelligence agencies failed to stop the National Socialist Underground group from killing eight Turks, a Greek and a policewoman between 2000 and 2007.

The group was only linked to the killings after two main members died in a murder-suicide after a botched 2011 bank robbery. The third main suspect, Beate Zschaepe, went on trial in May.

Committee members said police and domestic intelligence agencies were quick to attribute the slayings to organized crime by immigrant groups — never properly considering the possibility that the killings could have been racially motivated and linked.

"The overarching theme is racism," committee member Petra Pau said of the review. "The NSU crimes were racist and the investigations had racist traits."

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### Hiroshima and Nagasaki

#### Official's comments unacceptable, Israel apologizes to Japan

Israel has distanced itself from a government official who made crude comments about the Second World War nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Responding to a Japanese request for clarification, a top Israeli envoy told Japan that the comments were "unacceptable" and that the official had been suspended.

Danny Seaman was a government public relations official and posted on

Facebook that he was "sick" of "self-righteous" Japanese and international commemorations of Hiroshima and Nagasaki victims. He said those events were the results of "Japanese aggression."

Israeli diplomatic officials said Thursday that the clarifications were made last week. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the private diplomatic discussions with the media.

The Japanese Embassy did not return a call seeking comment.

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# Borno fights Islamic sect



In this photo taken in early August, Borno state deputy Gov. Zanna Mustapha listens to a question from a journalist during an exclusive interview in Maiduguri, Nigeria. Officials in the state are desperately trying to reach an important demographic — angry and rootless young men, who are easily recruited by Islamic extremists. SUNDAY ALAMBA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**'A hungry man is an angry man.'** Nigerian state at centre of uprising plans to train angry youths to halt extremism

Using every resource from psychologists to agriculture experts and security forces, the Nigerian state at the heart of an Islamic uprising hopes to reach a reservoir of angry and rootless young men easily recruited by Islamic extremists and transform them into productive members of society.

"We are trying to look inward at what is the immediate cause and who are these people" in the Islamic sect, Boko Haram, that has morphed into a terrorist network, Zanna Mustapha, the deputy governor of Borno state, told The Associated Press.

Mustapha heads a high-ranking committee that is seeking to stem the root causes of extremism in Borno, one

## Large numbers

Ordinary residents of a typically poor neighbourhood — a warren of mud-brick buildings without running water or electricity — told a reporter that more than half the people living there before the military crackdown that began May 14 were members of Boko Haram.

of three northeastern states under a three-month-old state of emergency.

One way to prevent further radicalization of the population is by "transforming" the lives of thousands of unemployed, restive young people disenchanted with life, the committee concluded.

"A hungry man is an angry man," Mustapha said. "The angeriness of youth in society has made it easy for whoever wants to recruit them," especially Boko Haram.

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# Montrealer. Man convicted of human trafficking after 2011 abduction of girl, 17

A 23-year-old Montreal man has been convicted on human-trafficking charges in Ottawa.

It's the first time someone has been convicted under human-trafficking laws in the country's capital since they were added to the Criminal Code in 2005.

Jamie Byron was accused of abducting a 17-year-

old Windsor girl from her home in 2011, and forcing her to perform sexual acts on more than 100 men over a two-month period.

Byron was caught by an undercover Ottawa police officer.

He is due back in court on Sept. 6 to set a sentencing date.

THE CANADIAN PRESS/CFRA

## U.S. school cafeteria

### Gun goes off inside kindergartner's bag

A gun went off inside a young student's backpack in a Memphis, Tenn., school cafeteria Thursday, but no one was hurt, officials said.

The student was a kindergartner, or about five years old. The child was being questioned by police and could be expelled.

A news release from the Shelby County school district

said school staffers immediately took control of the backpack.

The statement said there was no evidence of harmful intent. The gun fired as students were waiting for the opening bell.

The child was detained and was being questioned by officers, with the child's mother present. Police spokeswoman Karen Rudolph said investigators were trying to determine how the gun ended up in the backpack. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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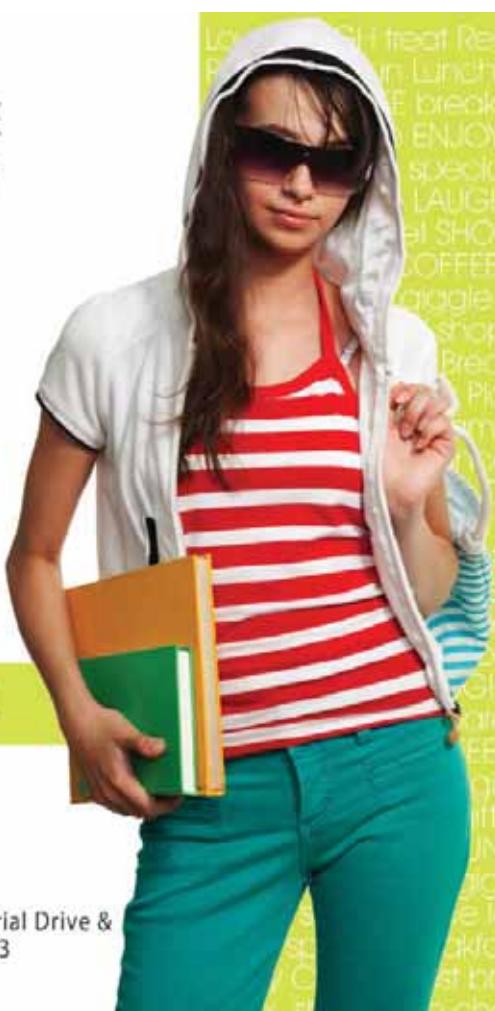
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# TV's Dr. Oz & other Good Samaritans aid woman hit by cab

**On the scene.** N.Y. cab severs woman's leg, plumber applies tourniquet, nurse advises leg be put on ice, Dr. Oz gives advice

The parents of a British tourist who was injured when a New York City taxi jumped a curb said Thursday they are grateful for the help of bystanders that included a TV celebrity doctor.

Jason and Sonia Green said they want to thank New Yorkers for their support following the accident.

"There are not enough words to express our gratitude to everyone who has

## In a New York minute

**1** The cab driver who plowed into Green said that driving a New York City taxi is too stressful and told a newspaper that "I need a more suitable job."

**2** Mohammed Faysal Himon said the accident happened after he accelerated to get around a bicyclist who he says pounded on his car and yelled at him.

helped our family during this difficult time," the couple said in a statement released by the hospital where their daughter Sian is recovering.

The 23-year-old lost a leg when she was struck by a taxi at Rockefeller Center

on Tuesday. Quick-thinking Good Samaritans including a plumber, a nurse and television personality Dr. Mehmet Oz rushed to her aid. Plumber David Justino immediately applied a tourniquet made from a belt.

Justino said he was determined to hold on until help arrived, and then he saw Oz.

"I felt more comfortable when I looked up and saw his face.... I said, 'What should I do?' and he said, 'You're doing it. You're doing it.'

Food vendor Max Crespo put Green's severed leg on ice, following the directions of a nurse. Police are investigating. Himon said he didn't remember much after accelerating until he saw Green's leg by his cab.

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## Break for Jesse Friedman

Convicted child molester Jesse Friedman, the subject of a 2003 Oscar-nominated documentary, *Capturing the Friedmans*, speaks to reporters Thursday after a judge ordered the release of U.S. grand jury testimony and witness statements relating to his 1988 prosecution. Friedman is seeking to clear his name. At right is Friedman's wife, Lisabeth Walsh. FRANK ELTMAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Chile

**Workers at ALMA radio telescope go on strike**

Workers at the world's largest radio telescope went on strike Thursday to demand better pay and working conditions.

The work stoppage began after union workers failed to reach an agreement with Associated Universities, which employs the Chilean staff.

Nearly 200 striking workers are demanding a 15 per cent salary increase as well as benefits to compensate for the high altitude and isolation they endure.

ALMA is on a remote plateau above Chile's Atacama desert. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Space station gets new telescope mount



Cosmonauts participate in a space-walk outside the International Space Station. COURTESY NASA

## Technical difficulties.

Two Russian cosmonauts install a platform for a yet-to-be-launched telescope

A pair of spacewalking Russian cosmonauts installed a new telescope mount on the International Space Station on

Thursday, despite a flaw in the device.

Fyodor Yurchikhin and Aleksandr Misurkin — making their second spacewalk in under a week — initially gave up trying to plug in the platform for a yet-to-be-launched telescope. But after more than an hour of discussion at Russian Mission Control, the cosmonauts installed it.

Yurchikhin and Misurkin re-

ported that the base of the platform appeared to be misaligned because it wasn't assembled properly on the ground. The problem could prevent the future telescope from pointing in the right direction.

But engineers near Moscow determined the misalignment could be overcome at a later date.

The swivelling platform will hold an optical telescope that

will be launched in November and installed by spacewalking cosmonauts.

The cosmonauts also ran into some difficulty tightening some antenna covers.

Because of a flyaway cover earlier this week, the cosmonauts double-checked the remaining shields to make sure they were secure. At least two were loose, one by a lot.

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## U.S. suspends spacewalks

- All U.S. spacewalks have been suspended while the investigation into last month's near-drowning continues. An Italian astronaut's helmet filled with water during a spacewalk on July 16. He barely made it back inside.

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## Gay pride in Nepal

A participant poses in a Gay Pride rally in Kathmandu, Nepal, Thursday. About 1,000 people, including gays, lesbians, transvestites and their supporters held the rally that is now an annual festival for sexual minorities to celebrate and to demand rights for their community. Organizers said the rally was an opportunity for the sexual minorities to come out in the open and also to educate the public.

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## Cub back in town

**B.C. town won't euthanize bear that rummages through garbage**

A rare, white-coloured bear cub that has wandered back to a small town in southeastern B.C. to feast on the community's garbage will not be euthanized, say conservation officers.

"We are looking at alternate solutions here ... perhaps a sanctuary placement or relocation," Sgt. Joe Caravetta said Thursday.

"I'd say one of the options

is going to happen for sure."

Caravetta said a trap has been set for the cub, who was first spotted alongside its sibling, also white-coloured, near the small community of Elkford, B.C., in 2011.

At that time, officials said the bears had to be relocated because they had become bolder in their search for food and posed a public safety risk.

Now, however, one of the cubs has returned.

"Well she's back," Duncan McDonald, Elkford's public works director, said in an interview Thursday.

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When an unemployed Palestinian programmer named Khalil Shreateh hacked into billionaire Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg's personal profile on the social network, the message he posted was respectful. "Dear Mark Zuckerberg," it began, "First sorry for breaking your privacy..."

The 30-year-old from Hebron had discovered a glitch

that allowed him to post on any wall on the network. Facebook usually provides \$500 US rewards for identifying such a weakness, but did not pay out in Shreateh's case, saying that he had violated protocol. In stepped the ethical hacker community, and over \$12,000 US has been crowdsourced to reward the Palestinian, who was in a good mood when we spoke.

You could have written anything. Were you tempted to

#### make the message spectacular?

No, because it was a serious vulnerability, but I was forced to write to Facebook ignoring my first and second reports. I was frustrated.

#### Were you angry with Zuckerberg?

I admire Mark, and anyone who starts a project like that. Mark built Facebook in college, it did well, he got famous and everyone would want to be like him. I have a lot of respect.

#### Does this inspire you to hack more famous people and companies?

I will keep watching for new vulnerabilities and report them, as I have done many times before. I will not break anyone's privacy and hope that every hacker uses what they find the right way and not for the black market.

#### Is this type of hacking very popular where you're from? Will you inspire more of it?

I can't answer that because

#### Hacker hall of fame

"I am very popular now. My family want me to get married, but I don't."

Programmer Khalil Shreateh

#### How have your friends and family reacted?

I want to say thanks to the hacker community for their donations, I really appreciate it. My family was worried I would be in jail and never have another job, but I thought I was helping people.

#### What are you planning to do with the money?

You cannot keep money in Palestine — I am very popular now. My family want me to get married, but I don't.

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# BORN IN CALGARY, ATLANTA ...

Some weeks you just have to shake your head.

This is one of those weeks.

**1 Sarin insanity.** France's foreign minister suspects that the Syrian regime has used sarin nerve gas on its own people at least once, and likely multiple times as the civil war has intensified. It's hard to even think about, never mind look at the heart-breaking pictures of little kids reportedly gassed to death. But look we must.

**2 We were bored.** Then there's the story out of Duncan, Okla., about three teenagers who allegedly decided to drive by someone and shoot him dead, just for fun. The unlucky random "target" was Chris Lane, a 22-year-old Australian who was out for a jog. Guns don't kill people; they just help the people who do kill people.



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**Paul Sullivan**

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**3 What a mother.** Meanwhile, back in Canada, the grandmother of autistic teen Max Begley got an anonymous letter from a person who signed it "One pissed off mother" complaining about the noises Max makes and demanding that they move out of the neighbourhood or "euthanize him." Police refuse to consider the letter a hate crime, but a love note it ain't. There has been a gratifying outpouring of support for Max since the letter surfaced, but "pissed off mother" has so far eluded justice. She'll have to live with herself, and that can't be fun.

**4 The prince of pot.** In the same week we learned he'll be a father for the third time, Justin Trudeau, the heir apparent to the national throne, also said he last smoked pot three years ago. There was a time when that admission would have sent any politi-

cian's ambitions down in flames (or is that up in smoke?), but it only seems to increase the number of cool colours in his pretty aura.

**5 I am NOT a Canadian.** Ted Cruz, Texas Republican senator and the tea party's Great Partially Hispanic Hope for President, has a birther problem. He was born in Calgary, which despite some reports, is not in the United States, and holds dual U.S.-Canadian citizenship. Obviously reluctant to invite comparisons to other Canadian politicians such as Justin Trudeau, Cruz has quickly renounced his Canadian citizenship. But if you're born in Calgary, you're one of us, eh?

**6 Goodbye, Dickens of Detroit.** Elmore Leonard, who apparently could only write bestsellers, including Get Shorty, which was made into a great movie starring Shorty, er, John Travolta, has died at 87. If I had a dog, I'd name it El. — more, even if it was a girl dog. Follow The Metro List on Twitter @TheMetroList



## ZOOM

### A castle fit for a hedgehog



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#### Rare albinos named after Prince George

Three rare albino hedgehog babies, born on the same day as Britain's new prince, have moved into a miniature castle at a Moscow petting zoo.

George, Alexander and Louis are named after the Prince of Cambridge, who has

those three names.

On Thursday, when the hedgehogs turned one month old, they were shown into their new home at the All-Russia Exhibition Centre.

It's a wooden castle with carefully carved windows, dark velvet curtains and a plush bed. A red carpet was rolled out to welcome the

hedgehog family into the new home.

Zoo spokeswoman Yevgeniya Polonskaya said she hopes the Prince of Cambridge himself would one day visit the hedgehogs, and said they "have a couple of invitations set aside for him."

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A visitor holds one of the albino hedgehogs named after Prince George. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Toronto Mayor Rob Ford is to arm-wrestle @HulkHogan. Who should the mayor wrestle next, and why?

@mikelipsius: Rob Ford should wrestle Doug Ford. Like Brett and Owen Hart once did.

@Canucklehead\_ca: His inner demons.

@TorontoViewer: Perhaps he should

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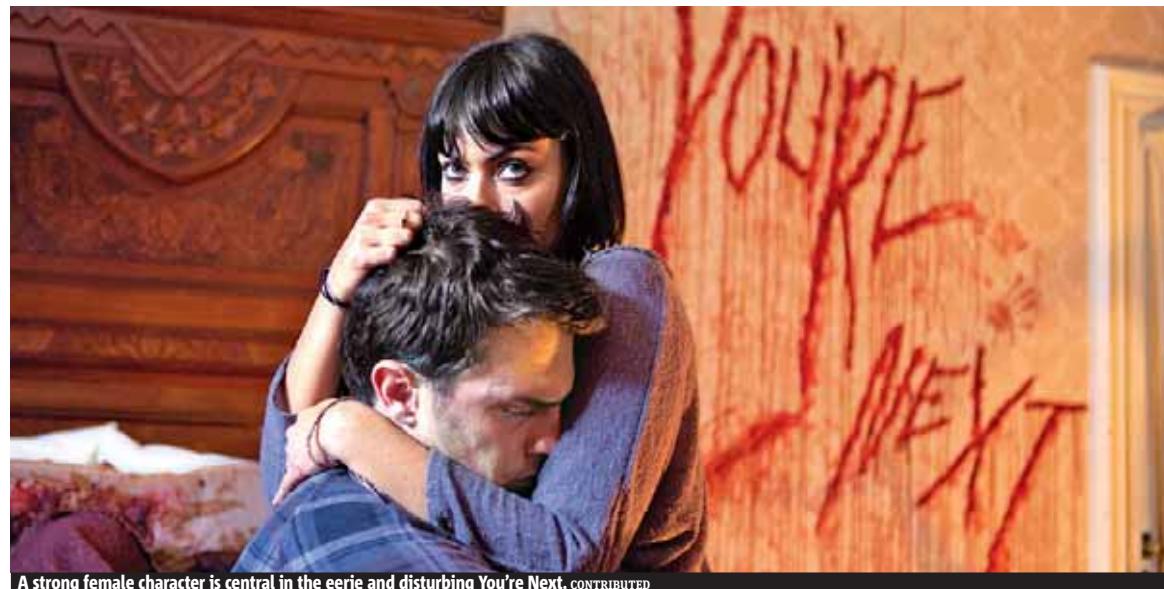
Synopsis

Nothing ruins a family reunion like an invasion of masked killers. On the occasion of their parents' 35th wedding anniversary, the Davidson kids and assorted significant others gather at a remote Tudor mansion — is there any other type in these kinds of movies? — to enjoy dinner and one another, but instead end up in a fight for their lives. Only one of the guests, Erin (Sharni Vinson), has the know-how to protect herself. But will it be enough?

- Richard: ••••
- Mark: ••••

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN



A strong female character is central in the eerie and disturbing You're Next. CONTRIBUTED

# Be afraid, be very afraid, cuz You're Next!

**Home-invasion horror.** Lack of redeeming social values aside, this disturbing movie will have you peeking through your fingers

Richard: Mark, I don't know what it says about me, but I really liked You're Next. It's disturbing, violent and without any redeeming social value, but I enjoyed sitting in the theatre with my hands over my eyes, afraid of what I might see next. I'm not usually a fan of head trauma, but from what I saw as I peeked through my fingers,

it worked well. You?

Mark: Richard, I found it one of the best movies of its type ever. Home invasion films are my kind of scary because it could — and does — happen. But I did find some redeeming social value in it. I thought it turned out to be a sly satire on family dynamics and materialism. Without revealing too many plot twists — and I loved them all — this movie starts as one thing and becomes something a little deeper. And, yes, I don't like to admit it, but I was scared through and through.

RC: It's hard to discuss without giving away a major plot twist, but I will say there is a Manson Family aspect to the

story that really creeped me out. That and the anxiety-inducing John Carpenter style score throbbing in the background. It's all effective but it is the idea behind the movie that is truly disturbing.

MB: Let's not leave out the creepy animal masks! And I learned a lot from the movie, like how much can be accomplished with a two-by-four and a simple set of nails. In fact, I just got back from the hardware store. I'm ready!

RC: It is a lesson in survivalism to be sure, but keep in mind how it works out for everyone. I think I'll stick to calling 911. Lessons aside, I did like that while there are a number of hysterical charac-

ters here — who wouldn't be upset when your friends and family are being randomly murdered? — the hero, if you can use that word to describe someone who kills a person with a blender, is a woman. So often in these movies women are the scream queens while the men do the heavy lifting. Here, the only person with any self-preservation instincts is female.

MB: I think a blender is a perfect murder weapon for a woman — very Martha Stewart, in fact. Yes, this movie does have a strong woman at its centre, and it's set up nicely in the beginning, with the family sneering at her for her survivalist training.

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**The World's End**

Director. Edgar Wright

Stars. Simon Pegg, Nick Frost, Martin Freeman

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A teenage pub crawl with four mates was the highlight of Gary King's (Simon Pegg) life. Twenty years later an attempt to relive that past glory becomes less about nostalgia and more about survival when the locals are revealed to be robots. Entertaining and inventive, *The World's End* isn't as laugh-out-loud funny as the first two parts of director Edgar Wright's trilogy, *Shaun of the Dead* and *Hot Fuzz*, but its thematic core — the difficulty of growing up — makes it the most mature of his films. **RICHARD CROUSE**

**In a World**

Director. Lake Bell

Stars. Lake Bell, Rob Corddry

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In a world where men rule the voice-over, Carol Solomon is determined to become a movie trailer star. Unfortunately, her dad is the reigning king of voice-overs and doesn't believe a woman could succeed him. Writer/director/star Lake Bell is magnetic in this smart, sincere comedy. Her feature film debut is chock full of characters that, though sometimes superfluous to the storyline, immediately capture your interest and affection. **RICHARD CROUSE**

**I Give it a Year**

Director. Dan Mazer

Stars. Rose Byrne, Rafe Spall, Alex Macqueen

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*I Give it a Year* follows the usual romcom formula. After a whirlwind romance Josh (Rafe Spall) and Nat (Rose Byrne) marry, but soon discover their union may not be a match made in heaven. Complicating things are Chloe (Anna Faris), Josh's ex-girlfriend, and Nat's new client, the handsome and flirtatious Guy (Simon Baker). There's no need for more plot details, because you already know how it ends. What it lacks in surprises it makes up for with charming performances from the leads. **STEVE GOW**

**The Spectacular Now**

Director. James Ponsoldt

Stars. Miles Teller, Shailene Woodley

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*The Spectacular Now* may be this generation's *The Breakfast Club*. Its by no means as funny (nor does it intend to be) but similar themes (and even the tidy use of personal essay as epilogue) are definitely present. In the film, a charming teen reluctantly falls for his rebound girlfriend even as he battles burgeoning alcoholism and a fuzzy future. Deftly directed by James Ponsoldt (*Smashed*), few films deal with teenage drama with such skilled tenderness. **STEVE GOW**

# TV. James Franco presents ... James Franco!



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In James Franco news, James Franco has done something very James Franco-y because, you know, he's James Franco.

Hollywood's hardest working Renaissance Man and jack of every single freaking trade you can imagine (no, seriously, just think of something obscure and maybe a little bit pretentious — betcha James Franco has done it) has announced that he will soon have

his own reality show. The show, according to Variety, will air sometime in November and will be called James Franco Presents. What will James Franco be presenting, you ask? That's a stupid question.

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# Wong Kar Wai takes on the master

## China's past gets intense makeover.

Chinese director gives an action movie spin to the history of modern kung fu with *The Grandmaster*

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Metro World News in Hollywood

Chinese filmmaker Wong Kar Wai takes a fantastical look at the history of his nation through the lens of kung fu with *The Grandmaster*, about Yip Man (Tony Leung), the father of modern kung fu who eventually taught Bruce Lee. But first, according to the film, he had to wrestle with China's changing political climate and go through a lot of gorgeously staged fights.

### This film is "inspired by a true story." How much historical accuracy did you go for?

It's quite accurate. The only thing I invented was the character of Gong Er (played by Zhang Ziyi). This is a fictional figure, it's not a real person. But in fact this character is based on several remarkable women at that time. When China was going through the changes from the monarchy to the republic, there were a lot of great men, and at the same time there were also remarkable women coming from all walks of life. Before then women were taking a much more minor role. They had to be a good daughter, good wife, good mother, and at that point you see women trying to have their own rights.

### The film examines how kung fu used to be incredibly exclusionary — solely an upper class pursuit.

In the traditional sense, martial arts were not for poor people. To practise martial arts you needed to be extremely wealthy because you couldn't do anything else. You had to practise — like, they had specific hours, like three o'clock in the morning and then three o'clock in the afternoon. Not too hot, not too cold. And then there are so many formalities. People visit you, you have to have a big party. When they leave, you have to send them with gifts. All these expenses, it's a big thing.

### What does the Chinese film industry make of Hollywood films like *Iron Man 3* participating more with the country's filmmaking world and audience? A welcome growth or a threat?

I always find it very silly to say, "As we are invaded by Hollywood" because we've been in this business for a



Tony Leung Chiu Wai stars in *The Grandmaster*. HANDOUT

long time. The only thing that's important is to keep the audience coming back to the cinema.

### What do you make of the rising importance of the global

**audience for Hollywood?**  
Now we see very clearly that the film industry cannot rely on a single market. Even for a Hollywood film, they cannot live on the domestic market alone. They need the

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# We're here, we're queer, but at the movies we disappear

**GLAAD study.** Group finds that LGBT people still underrepresented on the big screen

We may be seeing more prominent gay and lesbian characters on TV shows, but the movie industry lags well behind the small screen, an advocacy group reports.

In its first study of LGBT roles in major studio releases, the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation found that compared with TV, where there has been a significant shift over the past decade, "major studios appear reluctant to include LGBT characters in significant roles or franchises."

In its report released Wednesday, GLAAD found that of the 101 releases from Hollywood's six major studios in 2012, just 14 included charac-



ParaNorman got props from GLAAD for its character Mitch, a football hero who references a boyfriend. CONTRIBUTED

ters identified as lesbian, gay, or bisexual. Most were no more than cameos or minor roles, it said — and none of the films tracked had transgender characters.

"Until LGBT characters appear more regularly in these studio films, there will be the

appearance of bias," said Wilson Cruz, GLAAD's national spokesperson, in an interview. He added that his organization will be meeting with studio executives to discuss the findings.

The report — called the 2013 Studio Responsibility

Index — rates each of the six studios according to the number of LGBT-inclusive films they released. Faring worst: 20th Century Fox and Disney, which each receive "failing" grades; the other four — Paramount, Sony, Universal and Warner

## Inclusive animation

One of the best examples of an LGBT-inclusive film in 2012, according to GLAAD, was, interestingly, an animated family film: ParaNorman, about a misunderstood boy who can communicate with the ghosts of dead people. In the film, which came from the Portland-based studio LAIKA, Norman's cheerleader sister asks the hunky football hero Mitch for a movie date. He casually makes a reference to his boyfriend.

Bros. — receive grades of "adequate."

Asked in advance Tuesday afternoon about the report, the studios had no immediate comment.

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### Plants Vs. Zombies 2

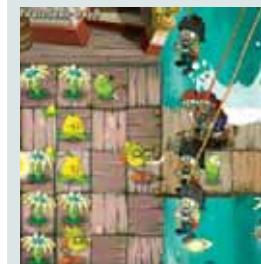


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Snakes on a Plane was a scary low on the August horror slate. CONTRIBUTED

# Cheesy horror rears its ugly head – again

## End of summer.

There's something about the entry into fall that leaves us craving freaky flicks

If the beginning of summer is for big tent-pole blockbusters featuring Hollywood's highest-ranking stars, then August is surely the dumping ground for low-grade horror hokum. Spawning such spine-chilling releases as Cujo, Jeepers Creepers and Fright Night, the eighth month is pretty spooky.

## Horror Highs

### Freddy vs. Jason (2003)

This official mash-up of legendary franchises Nightmare on Elm Street and Friday the 13th may not have exactly earned the respect of film critics, but for fans of fright flicks, it was a nightmare-come-true. Plus, there's no denying its \$80 million take at the box-office substantiates its status.

### You're Next (in theatres this weekend)

This year's entry into the August annals of horror cinema, You're Next holds much promise. It was picked up in a

bidding war after it screened at the Toronto International Film Festival. Favourable early reviews about the thriller's fresh spin on the home invasion premise add to the optimistic outlook — not to mention a few hair-raising scares.

## Scary Lows

### Piranha 3D (2010)

Nobody was expecting this cheesy remake to see Oscar recognition, but the schlocky shocker about a lake terrorized by man-eating piranha is more about skin than scares. STEVE GOW/METRO

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Vince Gilligan, left, Bryan Cranston and Aaron Paul. CONTRIBUTED

## Breaking Bad ends with tears for creator

### Happy ending?

Vince Gilligan talks about bringing the series to a close

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With Vince Gilligan's groundbreaking Breaking Bad ending its run after 62 episodes, we talked to the brain behind the series about what fans can expect — without giving away too much.

### He scrapped the original ending long ago:

"I'm very impressed with J.K. Rowling for knowing where Harry Potter was going to end. That is impressive," he says. "I had ideas, in early going when I was writing the pilot all by myself, of where it would all end, and I discarded them pretty quickly once I hired my six writers. This last year, in fact, where we knew we had these final 16 episodes, we went through many, many possibilities. In fact, we went through every possibility we could think of because we didn't want to leave any stone unturned. We wanted to think of every possible outcome. That's why it took way longer than I thought it would take."

### Writing the finale brought tears to his eyes:

"I cried because it was over. I was in my condo in Albuquerque, writing the very last

page of the last episode — I was writing the very last paragraph, in fact — and I started to tear up," he remembers. "It was because I knew that is it. I was never going to get to write that character again. I mean, not on Breaking Bad. It was a hard-fought battle, and it was a result of thousands and thousands of hours of work and emotion, and I teared up because as hard as it was those six years, I knew in that moment I was going to be very sad it was over. And I was and I am sad. But I feel right that it ended when it did, creatively."

### There won't be a movie:

"I'd be very surprised. Every show is different, and I think it's wonderful when there's a movie version of a TV show," he says. "But I always felt for this one show, for Breaking Bad, that it would be a bit of an injustice to the show itself, to what we were trying to build all these years, for it to end in a fashion that didn't feel complete and satisfying on the small screen. We're leaving it all on the field with these final eight episodes."

### It doesn't have to end poorly for everyone:

"I have to be careful the way I answer these questions, because I don't want to ruin anything for anybody, but I can tell you that the writers and I, we're not out to punish any character," he offers. "There's the old saying that it's very easy to extract emotion from an audience by being mean to a child or beating a puppy

with a stick or something. We were not trying to go for those kind of feelings. We looked at these episodes as our last chance to end the story in as satisfying a manner as possible. The best answer I can give is that I'm very satisfied by the ending. That is not to say it's a happy ending, nor a sad ending — nor to give any promise of how one will feel emotionally when it's over. But it is to say that I hope it feels proper fitting. It feels fitting to me."

### J. Crew

## File this one under 'Huh, OK'

J. Crew CEO Mickey Drexler will have a small cameo on this Sunday's episode of Breaking Bad. Look for him as a customer in Walter White's car wash, if that's the sort of thing you would find exciting to look for.

So how did this synergy between the decidedly unglamorous Breaking Bad and preppy mother ship J. Crew come about? Apparently, Drexler had a meeting with some Sony Television producers, and when they learned that he was obsessed with the show, they insisted that he make an appearance.

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# 3 songs for the weekend



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## Our Last Song/ Dominique Fricot

I ran into Dominique at a boot camp for artists last summer.

His new video features 3,750 still photos and 850 (!!!) costume changes.

You'd think that original ideas for music videos have been exhausted by now. Not a chance.



## Meltdown/ Love and Death

The story meeting must have gone something like this: "What about if we take this metal band and cast them as servers in a Chuck E. Cheese?" "Brilliant! Do it!"



## Sabotage/A bunch of librarians

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Casey Mecija, third from left, posted on Tumblr about taking an indefinite hiatus with her band. CONTRIBUTED/REYNARD LI

## Tired, broke and frustrated: Why Ohbijou won't be performing

The Toronto-based indie pop band Ohbijou is going on indefinite hiatus, with its front-woman challenging how Canadians engage with multiculturalism and critics' perception of the group.

In a post on Tumblr published on Friday, lead singer Casey Mecija said that she felt the media ascribed a selective narrative of otherness for her and the Toronto septet's music because of her race, gender and

sexuality.

"I can't help but feel sadness for the ways my body (has) been inscribed as a performer," Mecija wrote.

"I can't help but feel tired by the ways that my brown, performing body comes into contact with the multicultural sensibilities of Canadian audiences. I am frustrated by the ways that my Asian-ness and my sexuality have been at times hidden and at times showcased to support

notions of an 'inclusive' Canadian multiculturalism."

In the post, Mecija does not rule out an eventual return to music.

"I am not giving up on the potential of such a project to alter the ways that people think and feel about queer life and the histories of colonialism out of which Canada was born," Mecija says. "But, as a band, we are tired and we are broke."

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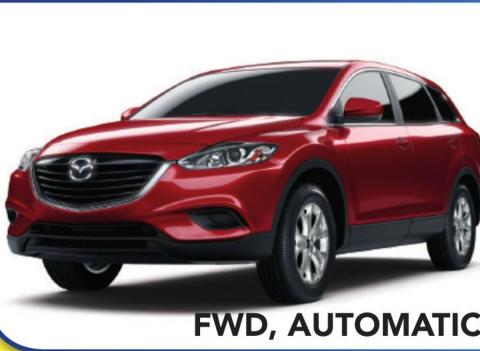
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# No ‘boom-shh’ beats here, let’s talk Zumba

**Music.** Pitbull, Daddy Yankee and Don Omar benefitting from South Florida-based dance fitness program

Zumba Fitness instructors worldwide are not only using a Latin-heavy song lineup in their classes, they're also creating new fans.

Don Omar's Zumba has remained high on Billboard's Hot Latin Songs chart for nearly a year, peaking at No. 2. In Greece, Daddy Yankee's Limbo, currently in the Top 10 on the Hot Latin Songs chart, is featured in a promotional video that has Greek Zumba instructors dancing to a Puerto Rican reggaeton beat in a beach setting.

"Daddy Yankee texted me five days ago and said, 'I wanted you to know that Limbo is as much your hit as it is my hit,'" said Zumba Fitness co-founder and CEO Alberto Perlman. "It was perfect for Zumba. When he showed it to us, he said, 'I said Zumba

nine times in the song and it's because you guys have inspired me."

Zumba, a dance-based fitness program created by Colombian dancer and choreographer Alberto Beto Perez in 2001, was born and is still based in South Florida. It has expanded worldwide, creating new fans of dance styles such as Perez's native cumbia and new fans of Latin music.

Some 14 million people in 185 countries are now dancing and singing to the songs, smiling and sweating in Zumba classes and clamouring to buy the music.

"Being from Michigan, I wasn't exposed to any of that music, and now it's easy to find and we hear it so often," said Jill Cooper of Ann Arbor, a longtime fitness professional. She was one of 8,000 Zumba instructors from around the world who attended the annual Zumba Instructor Convention in Orlando.

Walking through the convention space, you hear an international smorgasbord of music. Polynesian music blares from one room while the sexy samba of Mas que



Pitbull's a Zumba fan favourite.  
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Don Omar performs at April's Billboard Latin Music Awards 2013 in Miami. RODRIGO VARELA/GETTY IMAGES

Nada pulsates next door, all punctuated by a, "Yeah!"

And Pitbull. Always Pitbull.

"My mom loves Pitbull, and she loves Pitbull because of Zumba class," Perlman said. "She would never, ever have heard Pitbull on the radio because she doesn't listen to those stations, but because of Zumba class, she's listening to him and I'm like, 'Mom, stop singing Pitbull songs.'"

Perez said the music is treated differently in Zumba than in traditional aerobics classes.

"In the aerobics world, it's very cheap music. It's 'boom-shh-boom-shh-boom-shh,'" Perez said, imitating the beat of workout music. "The music is in the background. We need to put the music in front because it's a party. How do you enjoy the party if the music's no good?"

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## It's the party

Bill Roedy, former chairman and CEO of MTV International, is a consultant for Zumba. He said it's that party atmosphere that makes people curious about the music.

- "Zumba has these captive audiences at 160,000 locations around the world, 14 million users every single week, so you get in this room and you're dancing and you're getting healthier and you're listening to this music — you can't change the radio dial," Roedy said. "It's a captive audience, and you're building these endorphins so you feel even better about the music."

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Azealia Banks refuses to be defined.  
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this fall, either October or November, according to Banks. She confirms it has its roots in rap, but listen for her growth and maturity as an artist — there are distinct jazz and punk rock influences bouncing around.

"When I first came out, I wasn't trying to see how I fit into that paradigm of success of the music business," Banks says. "I took on a lot of personas that weren't me. I tried to behave in a way, got carried away with the idea of being a female rapper, but I'm so much more than that. ... I think the music on this album is the most sophisticated I've ever created."

# Banks puts her money where her mouth is

**MICHAEL GREGER**

Metro World News in Philadelphia

There is a reason behind everything Azealia Banks does, and it's usually centred on unleashing her inner creativity — whether it's yelling the C-word while wearing a Mickey Mouse sweater or strutting around stage in a motocross suit.

"I do my thing. I do whatever I feel like doing," Banks says. "People tried to define me and I tried to define myself, and I came up with all these explanations of what I do, but there is no explanation for what I do."

Even calling Banks a female rapper is a stretch. She refuses to be lumped into that whole scene.

"A lot of female rappers coming out are post-hip-hop, or post-Nicki Minaj, or post-Young Money," she says. "I feel like I really transcended that whole kitschy, female rap scene."

It's hard to believe that Banks is only 22 years old. She comes across as mature beyond her years, sounding

like a hip-hop psychologist in interviews.

"People like me notice all the social trends, not to say that I don't like them, but I'm looking a little deeper," Banks says. "I grew up on the Internet. ... It would be nice to see pop culture do three things at once, instead of one general trend. It's a lot of the sameness. ... It's like I've been eating the same thing for dinner for 10 years in a row."

For those who want something else, there is Banks' Broke With Expensive Taste, her highly anticipated debut album, which she says took her five years to create. The way she sees it, this is the way that she'd like to introduce herself.

"This is my actual arrival. All the other stuff was just me trying to figure out what I was," she says. "I've been working on it since I was 17. 1991 and Van Vogue, those were songs I was saving for my album, but because there was such a demand for me, I had to put them out early." The album is set to drop



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# 'Delicious' story, difficult era

**Fiction.** A young slave disguises himself as a girl and crosses paths with historical legends in the new James McBride book *The Good Lord Bird*

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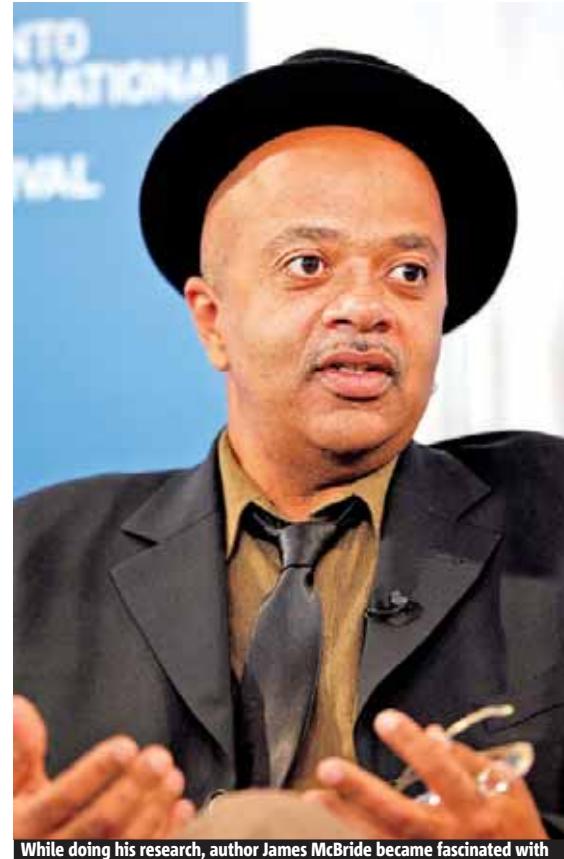
James McBride's new novel, *The Good Lord Bird*, which is out Friday, is his second in a row to explore the issue of slavery in the years just prior to the Civil War.

It was while researching his last book, *Song Yet Sung*, that he became fascinated with the story of the abolitionist John Brown, who led the violent slave insurrection at Harper's Ferry, W.Va.

"I'd heard John Brown's name many times in the past but never really quite knew who he was," McBride says. "When I started to research him, I became fascinated with his story. The challenge was to find a way to write about him that was interesting and funny."

Given the dark subject matter of the time period and of Brown's tragic final days, the humour is the most surprising element of *The Good Lord Bird*.

The story is told through the eyes of Onion, a young slave boy who becomes a part



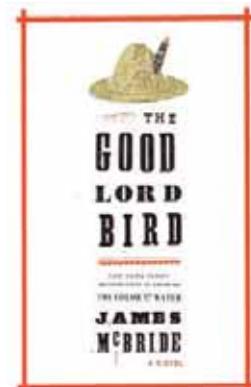
While doing his research, author James McBride became fascinated with John Brown, who led a violent slave insurrection. GETTY IMAGES

of Brown's crew under the mistaken assumption that he's a girl.

Over the next few years, he crosses paths with luminaries like Harriet Tubman and Frederick Douglass, the latter

depicted making drunken advances on the disguised Onion.

"My approach is to make fun of everybody," McBride explains. "In real life, I admire Frederick Douglass. He was a



great man, but he was flawed as well. The people who built this country weren't gods. They were flawed people, and you often wonder if the women in their lives had the chance to write the stories of these men, how their account would read."

McBride himself was surprised at the opportunities for satire afforded by Onion's disguise.

"The business of identity — self-identity, inner-identity — always drives the outer story," he says.

"I wanted Onion's identity issues to be strong enough to push him to freedom at the end of the book. I really didn't consider all of the factors that would go into this character playing a girl at the outset; I just thought it was funny. Then as the book evolved and he got into these situations where he had to pretend to be a girl, it thickened the plot and just became delicious."

## From a meme to your bookshelves

### A meowsterpiece.

Who is the cat behind the frown? Is she really that disgruntled? How Grumpy Cat went from Reddit to real fame

CASSANDRA  
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Metro World News

You've likely seen the face a hundred times — the scrunchy, squinty, scowly little ball of fur the world has come to know as Grumpy Cat (real name: Tardar Sauce). Owners Tabatha and Bryan Bundesen posted a photo of her on Reddit in September 2012, and Grumpy Cat was born.

Almost overnight, she rose to worldwide stardom as her perpetually grumpy

expression launched countless Internet memes.

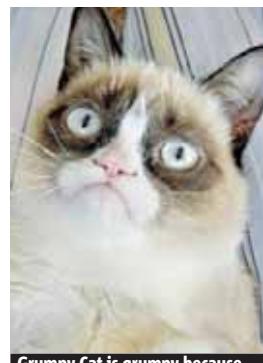
Grumpy Cat now has more than a million Facebook and Twitter followers, a contract with Friskies, a calendar, a soon-to-be iced coffee line called Grumpuccino as well as a new book, *Grumpy Cat: A Grumpy Book*.

The author (who is a real sour puss) meowed to Metro about her newfound fame and publishing success.

**Congratulations on your newly published book *Grumpy Cat: A Grumpy Book*. What do you think of making it onto The New York Times' best-seller list?**

I wrote a book once. It was so awful it hit The New York Times' bestseller list. Meh. Did I mention it was awful?

**How do you feel about be-**



Grumpy Cat is grumpy because she didn't get a better cutline.

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ing a household name and having your photo everywhere?

The best part about being a household name is that my humans have been able to help support animal shelters. You should check out

your local animal shelter. There are many pets that need homes, and they also offer low-cost spay and neuter programs.

**What do you think of the new royal baby Prince George? Any words of wisdom for a fellow overnight celebrity?**

Prince William and Kate should read Grumpy Cat: A Grumpy Book to Prince George over and over to make sure he can handle royal life.

I'd say be grumpy to keep the people away, but that obviously doesn't work.

**Have you considered the next move in your career? Are politics in your future?** The next move? Bed. Bed sounds like a great idea. (Yawn) Coffee and movies are the next step!

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Jason Segel and Cameron Diaz ALL IMAGES GETTY

## Diaz and Segel keep us all guessing in the Hamptons

While Cameron Diaz and Jason Segel did enjoy a dinner together in the Hamptons this week, apparently Life & Style magazine's claim that it was a date was a bit off-base. "Jason and Cameron were not romantic at all towards each other; very

casual and friendly," a source tells E! News, adding that they were joined at upscale restaurant Nick & Toni's by another gentleman. The friends and Bad Teacher co-stars were also spotted shopping for groceries together earlier that day.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

**The Word**



### *Brandy's ego bruised as she plays to empty stadium*



THE WORD

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Poor Brandy. The singer performed to an empty, 90,000-capacity stadium last weekend in Johannesburg, South Africa, as part of the Mandela Sports &

Culture Day. Due to poor publicity, the crowd left after the football and rugby matches, not realizing — or maybe they did? — that Brandy was set to perform. Per the tweet of @Kabomo, a South African musician, "Brandy performed to an empty stadium. With the stadium lights on. She sulked after two songs and walked off." Which, you know, is more than I would have done. I would have looked out and hightailed it to a bar where I would then sit for the next 30 years of my life and think about how it all went wrong.

Kanye West

## Lawsuit against Kanye in pipeline after he allegedly punched paparazzo

Kanye West is facing a lawsuit from a paparazzo over allegedly attacking him outside Los Angeles International Airport, according to TMZ. Plaintiff Daniel Ramos claims that "without warning or provocation," West "suddenly attacked, punching (the plaintiff) and attempting to wrestle the camera from"

Ramos' hands, according to the filing. Ramos' attorney, Gloria Allred, claims that Ramos fell to his knees on the ground "with enough force that he sustained injuries to his right hip, as well as accompanying pain and emotional distress." He is seeking unspecified damages.



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**Reuben**

- Sauerkraut
- Thousand Island dressing
- Swiss cheese
- Caraway seeds

**Hawaiian**

- Thin slices of fresh pineapple
- Jalapeno peppers
- Bacon

**French picnic**

- Whole-grain mustard
- Chopped cornichons
- Aioli (garlic mayonnaise), served on a baguette

**The Italian**

- Wrap the hotdog in salami
- Garlic pickled peppers
- Sharp provolone

**Midwestern**

- Pepper jack cheese
- Fresh corn kernels
- Pickled jalapenos
- Diced red bell pepper

**Green Garden**

- Scallion mayonnaise
- Thinly sliced cucumber
- Fresh tarragon
- Arugula

## Liquid Assets

### Designer dog drinks



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Hot dogs must hate hamburgers. Though they're the yin and yang of the home barbecue scene, take a step off your deck and gourmet burgers are selling for a premium at fancy boutique restos while dogs are relegated to the kids menu.

Not that hot dogs can't hold their own when it comes to haute cuisine. In my mind, the whole concept of a meal in an elongated bun was designed for getting creative with elaborate toppings (and I'm not just talking mustard, relish and ketchup).

Finding a wine that will stand strong against a barrage of eclectic flavours piled on top of a well-cooked wiener is a challenge worthy of The Amazing Race.

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## Calgary Opera – Picnic in the Village

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## Calum Graham

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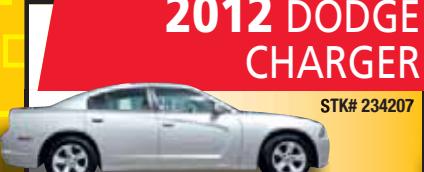


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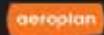
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# Stampeders hobble into 100th Grey Cup rematch

**CFL.** Argonauts on a tear having won last four games behind accurate arm of Ray

Ricky Ray's on a roll, and he knows it.

The veteran quarterback has a completion average approaching 90 per cent over his last three starts and is a big reason why Toronto is the CFL's hottest team. That's not exactly good news for an injury-plagued Calgary Stampeders squad that will face the Argonauts at Rogers Centre on Friday night.

Ray, 33, has completed 64 of 73 passes his last three starts for 851 yards and eight touchdowns.

And the 11-year veteran says he can feel he's in the groove.

"Yeah, just because things are going well and we're making a lot of plays," he said. "We had a couple of games early on in the year where things were a little bit tougher to come by and we weren't making as many plays so definitely you feel like you're doing a lot of good things out there."

This season, Ray has com-

pleted 143 of 183 passes, a 78.1 per cent clip. Calgary offensive co-ordinator Dave Dickenson holds the single-season record of 74 per cent set in '05 with B.C. Dickenson also set the CFL passer-efficiency record of 118.8 that season but Ray boasts a mark of 133.0 thus far.

Toronto (5-2) heads into a rematch of last year's Grey Cup having won four straight.

Calgary (5-2) won't be at full strength Friday night.

Veteran slotback Nik Lewis is out after suffering a fractured fibula in last week's 26-22 loss to B.C. Receiver Maurice Price (ankle), offensive lineman Dimitri Tsoumpas (concussion) and running back Jon Cornish (thigh contusion) also won't play. The loss of Cornish — last year's CFL rushing leader who's second this year with 749 yards — is huge.

"Chris (Argos defensive co-ordinator Chris Jones) will still have to stop the run against Calgary, whether Jon plays or not," Argos head coach Scott Milanovich said.

Among the Stampeders on the nine-game injured list are receivers Johnny Forzani, Joe West and Chris Bouman, offensive lineman Edwin Harrison and defensive linemen Etienne Legare and Corey Mace.

Edmonton quarterback Mike Reilly completed 35 of 46 passes Sunday for 511 yards and three TDs against Toronto. With just four returning starters, the Argos' defence has struggled to establish consistency.

But while Toronto is ranked last in yards allowed (416 per game), it's third in fewest points surrendered (24.9 per game).

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**All the right moves**  
*"I'm just seeing things good right now and am able to get the ball out of my hands without second-guessing or holding on to the ball."*

Argos QB Ricky Ray



Kevin Glenn, left, and the Stampeders will play the Argos on Friday night without the services of Nik Lewis, who suffered a fractured fibula in last Saturday's 26-22 loss to the Lions. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Week 9 pick



A rematch of last year's Grey Cup game, which Toronto won 35-22 at Rogers Centre.

But Calgary will be without veteran receiver Nik Lewis and running back Jon Cornish.

Toronto is the CFL's hottest team, having won four straight, and quarterback Ricky Ray is on quite a roll. Ray has completed 87.7 per cent of his passes for 851 yards and eight TDs his last

three starts.

Ray finished 30 of 35 passing for 413 yards and three TDs in Toronto's 36-33 home win over Edmonton last week. Ray is second overall in passing with 1,768 yards with 14 TDs and no interceptions and sports a 78.1 per cent completion average.

Pick: Toronto

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SPORTS**

# Marsh madness: Rookie Als QB takes over to upset Lions

**CFL.** 4th-quarter heroics give Montreal fans something to cheer about with Calvillo out

Sean Whyte kicked a field goal on the final play of the game after rookie quarterback Tanner Marsh threw a 57-yard pass to Eric Deslauriers with 1.9 seconds remaining to give the Montreal Alouettes a come-from-behind 39-38 win over the BC Lions on Thursday night.

Marsh ran for his first touchdown in the third quarter after completing his first touchdown pass to S.J. Green in the second quarter.

His last-gasp pass to Deslauriers set up the improbable comeback to the delight



Tanner Marsh runs in for a score during second-half action against the BC Lions in Montreal, Thursday.

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of the crowd of 22,456 at Molson Stadium, which saw Montreal overcome a 28-14 deficit.

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Tyron Carrier returned a kick 90 yards to draw Montreal within 38-33 but the Alouettes failed to convert a two-point attempt.

Whyte had four field goals in the game.

The Alouettes (3-5) won for the first time in three games under general manager Jim Popp, who became Montreal's interim coach after he and owner Robert Wetenhall fired Dan Hawkins on Aug. 1.

Tim Brown returned a missed field goal 124 yards for a touchdown early in the third quarter and Travis Lulay threw a pair of touchdowns to Shawn Gore for B.C. (5-3), which had won two in a row.

Marsh took over from backup Josh Neiswander on Montreal's fourth offensive series.

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## Kicking up some Dutch dust

Christel Boeljon of the Netherlands hits out of a bunker on the 18th hole during the CN Canadian Women's Open at Royal Mayfair Golf Club on Thursday in Edmonton. Boeljon stole the spotlight in the first round, firing a hole-in-one en route to a five-under day and a share of the lead with Lydia Ko and Angela Stanford at 65. STEPHEN DUNN/GETTY IMAGES

### MLB

## Yankees continue to dominate Jays

Blue Jays manager John Gibbons was long gone by the time his team completed its latest loss at Yankee Stadium.

That's OK, he has seen plenty of them this season.

Andy Pettitte pitched six effective innings, and Curtis Granderson homered to help the surging New York Yankees win 5-3 on Thursday after a 3 1/2-hour rain delay, their 10th-straight victory over Toronto.

The Blue Jays dropped to 1-12 against New York this year, including a pair of four-game sweeps in the Bronx.

"It's hard. Yankee Stadium is a tough place. The sad part is we're in every game, basically all year. We just couldn't put them away with a lead," said Gibbons, ejected in the fifth.

Toronto was ahead in every game of this series, just as it was during New York's four-game whitewash in late April.

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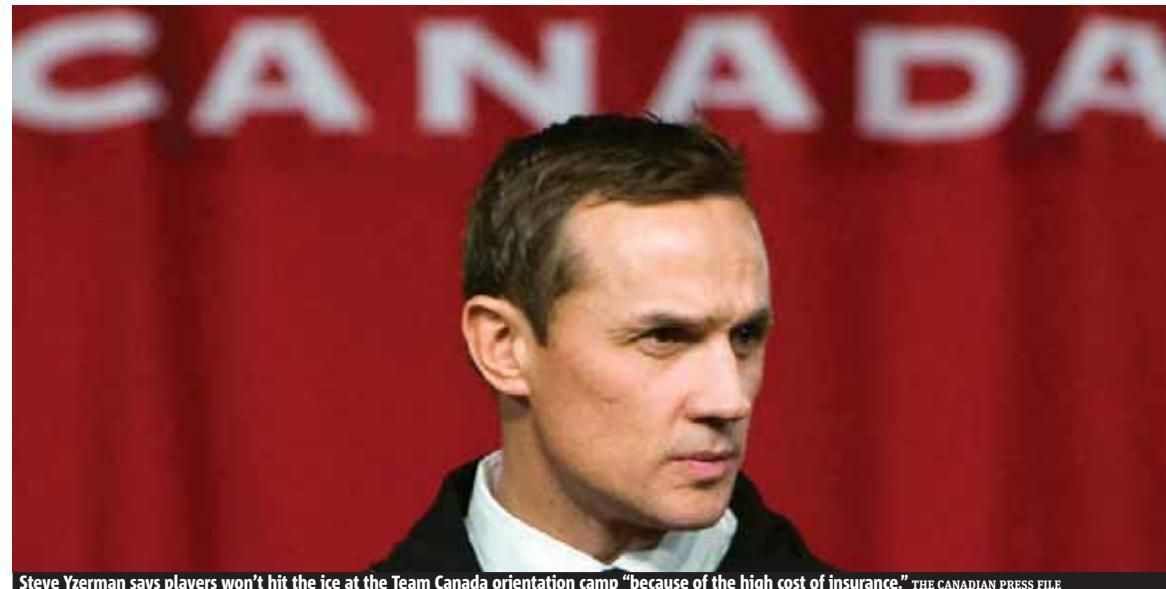
## Orientation camp.

High price to insure 47 invitees means players will settle for information sessions and bonding activities

Steve Yzerman would prefer to get Canada's players on the ice at the upcoming orientation camp for the Olympic men's hockey team.

But the price tag to insure players against injury is too high for Hockey Canada, so the four-day camp starting Sunday in Calgary will consist of informational meetings about the Games in Sochi, Russia, and fostering team chemistry off the ice.

"Not going on the ice isn't the end of the world," says Yzerman, the executive director of the national men's team. "There's a lot of other things that need to be done in preparation, logically going through how we're going to get there, where we'll stay,



**Steve Yzerman says players won't hit the ice at the Team Canada orientation camp "because of the high cost of insurance."** THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

where family and friends may stay, a walkthrough of the venues, drug-testing policy, a lot of informational things we need to go through and get out of the way. This is a good time

to do it."

Forty-seven players — five goaltenders, 17 defencemen and 25 forwards — are scheduled to arrive in Calgary on Sunday and head to Hockey

Canada's headquarters at Canada Olympic Park. Canada can take three goaltenders and 22 skaters to Sochi.

Among the summer-camp invitees are 15 players who

won Olympic gold in Vancouver in 2010, including Sidney Crosby. The Pittsburgh star's overtime goal lifted Canada to a 3-2 win over the U.S. in the final.

## By the numbers

**3** — Head coach Mike Babcock and forwards Patrice Bergeron, Eric Staal and Jonathan Toews are members of the "Triple Gold Club," each having won Olympic gold, a world title and a Stanley Cup.

**27 years, 6 months, 25 days**  
— Average age of players on Canada's roster.

The Saddledome is undergoing restoration from severe flooding in June, but that's not keeping the players off the ice next week, says Yzerman.

"It's strictly insurance," he explains. "It's because of the high cost of insurance. Hockey Canada is obligated to place on the players we're not going to skate."

It's up to each country's federation to insure NHL players against injury at summer camps. Hockey Canada president Bob Nicholson has said that would cost more than \$1 million. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## MLB

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

#### EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	75	54	.581	—
Tampa Bay	72	53	.576	1
Baltimore	68	58	.540	5½
New York	68	59	.535	6
Toronto	57	71	.445	17½

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	74	53	.583	—
Cleveland	69	58	.543	5
Kansas City	64	61	.512	9
Minnesota	56	70	.444	17½
Chicago	51	74	.408	22

#### WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	74	53	.583	—
Oakland	71	55	.563	2½
Seattle	59	67	.468	14½
Los Angeles	55	71	.437	18½
Houston	41	85	.325	32½

#### Thursday's results

N.Y. Yankees 5 Toronto 3

Minnesota 7 Detroit 6

Chicago White Sox at Kansas City

#### Wednesday's results

N.Y. Yankees 4 Toronto 2

Texas 5 Houston 4

Baltimore 4 Tampa Bay 2

Chicago White Sox 5 Kansas City 2

Seattle 5 Oakland 3

Cleveland 3 L.A. Angels 1

Detroit 7 Minnesota 1

#### Friday's games — All times Eastern

Oakland (Straily 6-) at Baltimore (Norris 9-10), 7:05 p.m.

Minnesota (Deduno 7-) at Cleveland (Jimenez 9-7), 7:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 11-8) at Tampa Bay (Archer 6-5), 7:10 p.m.

Washington (Gonzalez 7-6) at Kansas City (Chen 5-1), 8:10 p.m.

Texas (Perez 6-3) at Chicago White Sox (Sale 9-11), 8:10 p.m.

Toronto (Redmond 1-1) at Houston (Lyles 5-6), 8:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels (Richards 3-5) at Seattle (Hernandez 12-6), 10:10 p.m.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

#### EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	77	50	.606	—
Washington	63	64	.496	14
New York	58	67	.464	18
Philadelphia	57	70	.449	20
Miami	48	78	.381	28½

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	74	52	.587	—
St. Louis	74	53	.583	½
Cincinnati	73	55	.570	2
Milwaukee	55	72	.433	19½
Chicago	54	73	.425	20½

#### WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	75	52	.591	—
Arizona	65	61	.516	9½
Colorado	59	70	.457	17
San Diego	57	70	.449	18
San Francisco	56	70	.444	18½

#### Thursday's results

Cincinnati 2 Arizona 1

Washington 5 Chicago Cubs 4 (13 inn.)

L.A. Dodgers 6 Miami 0

Philadelphia 5 Colorado 4

St. Louis 6 Atlanta 2

Pittsburgh at San Francisco

#### Wednesday's results

San Diego 2 Pittsburgh 1

St. Louis 8 Milwaukee 6

Cincinnati 10 Arizona 7

Philadelphia 4 Colorado 3

Atlanta 4 N.Y. Mets 1 (10 inn.)

Washington 11 Chicago Cubs 6

L.A. Dodgers 4 Miami 1

Boston 12 San Francisco 1

#### Friday's games — All times Eastern

Arizona (Miley 9-8) at Philadelphia

(Hamels 5-13), 7:05 p.m.

Detroit (Fister 10-6) at N.Y. Mets (Torres 2-2), 7:10 p.m.

Colorado (Chacin 11-7) at Miami (Koehler 3-8), 7:10 p.m.

Milwaukee (Gallardo 9-9) at Cincinnati (Bailey 8-10), 7:10 p.m.

Atlanta (Medlen 10-11) at St. Louis (Wainwright 14-7), 8:15 p.m.

#### Saturday's games

Houston at Montreal, 7 p.m.

Toronto at D.C. United, 7 p.m.

Los Angeles at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

San Jose at Dallas, 9 p.m.

Columbus at Salt Lake, 9:30 p.m.

### CFL

#### EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA Pts
Toronto	7	5	2	0	230	174 10
Hamilton	7	3	4	0	166	205 6
Montreal	8	3	5	0	195	239 6
Winnipeg	7	1	6	0	153	210 2

#### WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA Pts
Saskatchewan	7	6	1	0	234	150 12
Calgary	7	5	2	0	226	186 10
B.C.	8	5	3	0	207	203 10
Edmonton	7	1	6	0	161	205 2

#### Thursday's result

Montreal 39 B.C. 38

#### Friday's game — All times Eastern

Calgary at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.

#### Saturday's games

Winnipeg at Hamilton, 1 p.m.

Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 4 p.m.

### MLS

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Kansas City	11	8	6	36	25	39
New York	11	8	6	36	31	39
Montreal	11	7	5	36	35	38
Philadelphia	10	7	8	36	32	38
Houston	10	7	6	29	23	36
New England	9	9	6	29	23	33
Chicago	9	10	4	29	34	31
Columbus	8	11	5	29	30	29
Toronto	4	12	8	21	33	20
D.C. United	3	17	4	14	40	13

#### Wednesday's results

San Diego 2 Pittsburgh 1

St. Louis 8 Milwaukee 6

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**Horoscopes****Aries****March 21 - April 20**

A colleague may be a bit pushy today and your first instinct will be to push back. Don't. It will be counter-productive, not least because they have more power than you. Stay calm and fit in with their needs.

**Taurus****April 21 - May 21**

Are you working too hard? According to the planets you are and the best thing you can do today is take an hour off from your schedule to review what you are trying to achieve.

**Gemini****May 22 - June 21**

This should be a wonderful time for you and if it isn't, it soon will be. A few days from now, your world will be turned on its head and you'll be standing the right way up!

**Cancer****June 22 - July 23**

Family issues will take up a lot of your time today and the sooner you deal with them, the sooner you will be free to do your own thing. Loved ones won't be as difficult to talk to as you appear to believe.

**Leo****July 24 - Aug. 23**

You need to get out more. Short trips will be especially beneficial today and over the weekend. You may encounter one or two less than friendly people but you will meet many more who delight you.

**Virgo****Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**

Mercury, your ruler, joins the Sun in your sign today, making this potentially one of the best long weekends of the year. Personally and professionally you'll soon be moving ahead.

**Libra****Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**

The thing you fear most is the thing you should be doing the most. That may not be what you want to hear but there it is. Once you take that first step, the rest will come easy.

**Scorpio****Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**

You sometimes expect too much of yourself and then feel depressed when your efforts fall short. If so you feel that now, lower your expectations and learn to live with who you are.

**Sagittarius****Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**

If you get the chance to join forces with like-minded people today, take it. Yes, you may have to give up some freedom but in return you'll get the opportunity to change the world.

**Capricorn****Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**

With Mercury, planet of the mind, joining the Sun in one of the best areas of your chart, you have a clear idea what it is you want to accomplish — and the personal and professional tools to make it happen.

**Aquarius****Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**

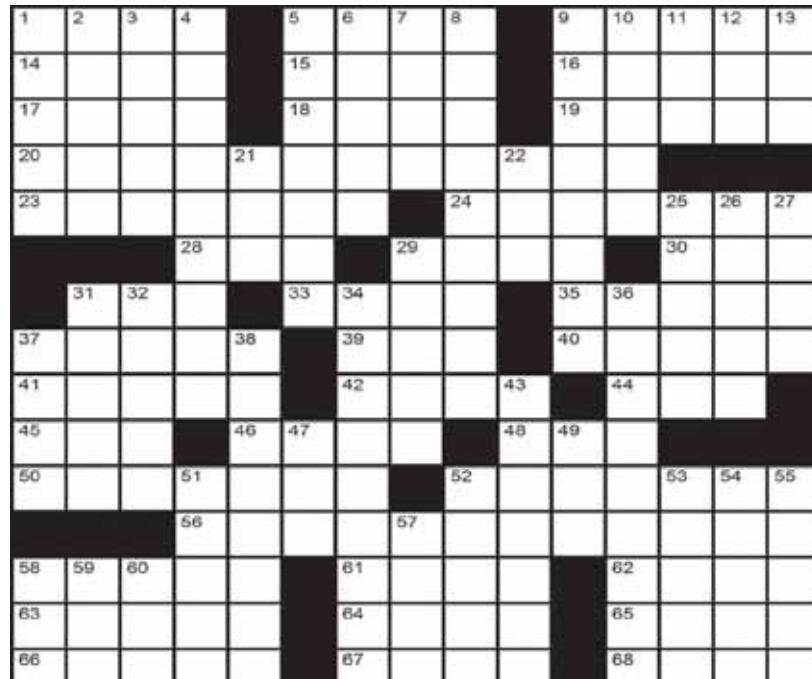
The planets urge you to think the unthinkable today. But keep in mind that thinking and doing do not always go together at the same time. The more you think now, the more success you will enjoy later.

**Pisces****Feb. 20 - March 20**

You like to see the best in people but the planets warn that today you should operate on the assumption that no one is on your side. It may not be true but you cannot afford to take chances. **SALLY BROMPTON**

**Crossword: Canada Across and Down****Across**

- Pirate's transport
- Internet pioneer, Vint \_\_\_
- "Drops of Jupiter (Tell Me)" band
- Vintner's prefix
- Cooking oil, to Rachael Ray
- Falcon-headed deity
- \_\_\_ and void
- Showroom model, commonly
- Michelle Robinson's married name
- Series for Canadian actress Sandra Oh: 2 wds.
- English and Irish (Arf!)
- Groovy factor
- "\_\_\_ Haw"
- Sotheby's offers
- Connect
- Particular poem
- Particular pickle
- "On the \_\_\_ hand..."
- "Would you like to see \_\_\_?" ...asked the waiter
- First word in Inferno by Dante
- Green
- Organ
- Come clean, \_\_\_ up
- Tavern stock
- Antacid brand

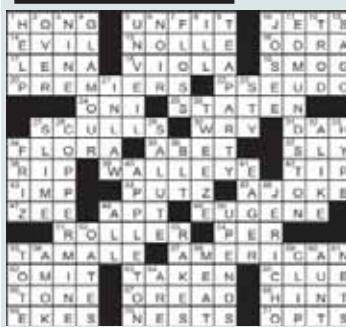


- Witty remark
- Chum
- Reprimand officially
- Wireless telegraphy innovator, b.1874 - d.1937
- Calgary \_\_\_ Orchestra
- Organ
- In "Thank U", one of the things Alanis Morissette is thankful
- for
- Geek
- Prefix with 'sphere'
- More rational
- Oscar-winner Mr. Jannings
- Animated TV show, for short
- Ten Commandments bit, "Though \_\_\_ not..."
- Lovely flower
- Donald Sutherland/Elliott Gould spoof flick, "\_\_\_ \* \* \* "(1974)
- "\_\_\_ Pam" by The Beatles
- Like a wood-shingles roof
- Makes straighter
- Tomato type
- Pre-spotting The Rockies sights
- Manitoba city, 'The Hub of the North'
- Single-named Swedish songstress

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**Down**

- Barry Manilow tune: "I Write the \_\_\_"
- "Quelle \_\_\_ est-il?" (What time is it?)
- Cove

**Yesterday's Crossword****Sudoku**

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**Yesterday's Sudoku**

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7	4	6	9	2	3	5	8	1
9	8	1	5	7	6	4	3	2
5	3	8	4	1	7	9	2	6
6	9	4	2	8	5	1	7	3
2	1	7	6	3	9	8	5	4

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7	4	8

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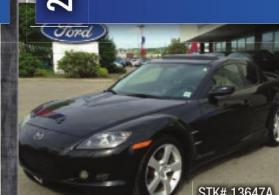


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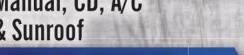


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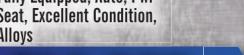


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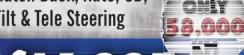


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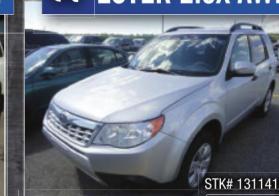


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